Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ABS Question: AET 1958-1960 Topic: Computers

Reference: written - 19 February 2016 Senator: Ludwig, Joe & Wong, Penny

Question:

1958. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used

1959. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location

1960. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

1958. No electronic equipment, owned, leased or stored by the Department, is able to be accessed by the Ministers office.

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Inventory of computers owned, leased, stored and able to be accessed by the Department.

Device	Cost Range	ACT	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	Totals
Laptop	\$950-\$1200	3345	344	461	548	576	330	152	91	5847
Desktop	\$650-\$800	2292	357	383	222	56	154	143	78	3682

It should be noted that:

- Distribution across states is best estimate available. Assets move between states on a regular basis.
- In the last period there has been a large purchase of new laptops to replace ageing equipment. The ABS is currently in the process of rolling out the new laptops and disposing of the old equipment. A large amount of equipment is being retained for use by temporary Census staff and will be disposed of at the conclusion of the Census.

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Operating System	Cost/Year	Contract Arrangement			
Windows 7/8 (Desktop/laptop)	\$301,904 in 13/14 (upfront) \$0 in 14/15 \$0 in 15/16	Volume Sourcing Arrangement (VSA)II – Core Desktop Licence (CDL) Enrolment administered by the Department of Finance			
OSX Apple (Macs)	\$0	No contractual arrangement. Outright purchase through Desktop Panel (~12 machines)			
Windows Server	\$118,000 in 13/14 \$118,000 in 14/15 \$118,000 in 15/16	VSAII – Agency Enterprise Enrolment (AEE) administered by Data#3 as a Microsoft re- seller			