

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

17 October – 18 October 2012

Question: SBT 795

Topic: Internet (ACCC)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

795. Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts?

- a. If yes, what was the reason for this?
- b. Did it impact the Minister's office?

Answer:

795. Yes

- a. A hacking attempt, known as a distributed Denial of Service attack, caused reduced speed and loss of connection at 1:23am on 10 September 2012 for 65 minutes.
- b. No