

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

Supplementary Budget Estimates

20 November – 21 November 2013

**Question: SBT 681-682**

**Topic: Coffee machines (APRA)**

**Written: Received from Committee – 25 November 2013**

**Senator LUDWIG asked:**

681. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage from 7 September 2013 to date\*?
- a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
  - b) Why were coffee machines purchased?
  - c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
  - d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
  - e) Who has access?
  - f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from 7 September 2013 to date\*, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
  - g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
682. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage?
- a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
  - b) Why are coffee machines rented?
  - c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
  - d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?
  - e) Who has access?
  - f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from 7 September 2013 to date\*, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
  - g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

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*\* to 30 November 2013.*

**Answer:**

681–682. The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority does not provide, nor does it rent, coffee machines for staff use.