

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0136_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Dept & all agencies: Coffee machines

1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage since Additional Estimates in February, 2014? 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 Additional Estimates in February, 2014 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? 2. Since Additional Estimates in February, 2014, has the department/agency rented or leased any coffee machines for staff useage? 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 Additional Estimates in February, 2014 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?

Answer

Department

Since Additional Estimates in February 2014, the department has not purchased or rented any coffee machines for staff usage.

Agency

Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority

- 1) No
- 2) No

Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership

- 1) Nil
- 2) Nil

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies

Nil response

Australian Research Council

- 1) No
- 2) No

Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency

Nil response. TEQSA has not purchased or rented coffee machines.