Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Agency - Asbestos Safety & Eradication Agency

Department of Employment Question No. EM1265_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

ASEA - Cloud Services and Storage

1. Is the department using or planning to use cloud digital services (e.g. storage, computer software access etc)? If yes: 2. What date did/will cloud services be deployed in the department? 3. Please provide a list of all cloud services in use or being considered for use. 4. How much do these services cost? Please break down by service. 5. How much cloud storage (in gigabytes) is available for departmental use? What percentage of the available total is in use? 6. How much does this cloud storage cost per month? 7. What security arrangements are in place to protect cloud based services and storage? 8. Have any security analysts been employed / contracted to advise on the implementation and upkeep of these security arrangements? 9. What has been the cost of security for the cloud? Please provide a breakdown.

Answer

- 1. The Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency (ASEA) uses a cloud-based service for its public website.
- 2. The website came into operation on 1 July 2013.
- 3. The cloud service in use is a public-facing website.
- 4. This service costs \$850 per month.
- 5. ASEA does not have a specific allocation of storage; it uses a shared resource managed by a Shared Services Centre.
- 6.-9. For further information please refer to EM1264_15.