SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING – 2 and 3 JUNE 2003 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome: 1 An effectively functioning labour market

Output Group: 1.2 Labour market programme management and delivery

Output: 1.2.2 Employment Services

Question Number: W128-04

Ouestion:

Senator Webber asked at *Hansard* page 212:

Of the \$16,537 all-up cost for kiosks, does \$9,500 come from telecommunications costs?

Answer:

No.

The \$16,537 quoted in the response to Question on Notice Number W335-03 is the approximate **average** annual running cost for a JobSearch kiosk. The average annual running cost for a JobSearch kiosk is based on the annual kiosk cost **per unit**, the approximated annual consumable cost **per kiosk** and the annual cost for Broadband connectivity **per site**. Sites can have between one and six kiosks and the actual cost for Broadband connectivity varies between \$12,335 and \$25,942 depending on the number of kiosks and the location of the site.

The telecommunications costs associated with the kiosks include Broadband connectivity and connection of the Wireless Access Point. While each site receives only one of each of these components, and the cost for the Wireless Access Point is constant, the broadband cost varies depending on the capacity required, the size and location of the Job Network site, and the number of kiosks allocated.

The average Broadband cost, across all sites, is estimated at \$6,425 per kiosk per year, and the Wireless Access Point cost is \$650 per site.