

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

Cross Portfolio

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Senator Birmingham provided in writing.

Question

BUILDING EFFICIENCY

Please list every building occupied by the Department. For each building: · Has an energy efficiency audit been undertaken? If so, what rating was achieved and what action has been taken to improve energy efficiency as a result of any audit undertaken?

Answer

City/suburb	Address	Audited?	Result
Braddon	220 Northbourne Avenue	No	n/a
Canberra	10 Mort Street	No	n/a
Canberra	12 Mort Street	No	n/a
Canberra	14 Mort Street	No	n/a
Canberra	15 Mort Street	No	n/a
Canberra	16 - 18 Mort Street	Yes	Not rated
Canberra	17 Moore Street	GLS*	Pending
Canberra	17 Mort StToddBuilding	No	n/a
Canberra	50 Marcus Clarke Street	GLS*	Pending
Canberra	60 Marcus Clarke Street	No	n/a
Canberra	64 Northbourne Avenue	No	n/a
Canberra	71 Northbourne Avenue	No	n/a
Canberra	72 Northbourne Avenue	No	n/a
Canberra	GaremaCourtCity Walk	No	n/a
Pialligo	14 & 16 Brindabella Circuit	No	n/a
Pialligo	18-20 Brindabella Circuit	No	n/a
Pialligo	29-31 Brindabella Circuit	No	n/a
Charlestown	3 Hopetoun Street	No	n/a
Dubbo	65 Church Street	No	n/a
Griffith	136 Yambil Street	No	n/a
Kempsey	148 Belgrave Street	No	n/a
Lismore	29 Molesworth Street	No	n/a
MacquariePark	5 Eden Park Drive	No	n/a
Moree	199 Balo Street	No	n/a
Nowra	55-57 Berry Street	No	n/a
Orange	21-29 William Street	No	n/a
Sydney	255 Elizabeth Street	No	n/a

Walgett	44 Fox Street	No	n/a
Wollongong	43 Burelli Street	No	n/a
Wyong	22-32 Pacific Highway	No	n/a
Alice Springs	36 Todd Mall	No	n/a
Darwin	39-41 Woods Street	GLS*	Pending
Katherine	18 Katherine Terrace	No	n/a
Katherine	4 Second Street	No	n/a
Brisbane	215 Adelaide Street	No	n/a
Cairns	104 Grafton Street	No	n/a
Gympie	27 O'Connell Street	No	n/a
Mackay	187 Alfred Street	No	n/a
Rockhampton	34 East Street	No	n/a
Thursday Island	Cnr Victoria & Hastings Streets	No	n/a
Toowoomba	516 Ruthven Street	No	n/a
Townsville	143 Walker Street	No	n/a
Adelaide	115 Grenfell Street	No	n/a
Hobart	188 Collins Street	No	n/a
Bendigo	41-43 Mundy Street	No	n/a
Melbourne	2 Lonsdale Street	No	n/a
Melbourne	414 Latrobe Street	No	n/a
Mildura	Shop 4 151 Ninth Street	No	n/a
Morwell	23 Hazelwood Road	No	n/a
Perth	1 William Street	No	n/a
Perth	250 St Georges Terrace	No	n/a

*17 Moore Street Canberra, 50 Marcus Clarke Street Canberra and 39-41 Woods Street Darwin operate under a Green Lease Schedule (GLS), which requires the owner to make their best endeavours to achieve at least a 4.5 star NABERS rating for base building and DEEWR to achieve at least a 4.5 star NABERS rating for the tenancy – both within the first 12 months of operation. 39-41 Woods Street Darwin and 50 Marcus Clarke Street Canberra have not yet completed their initial 12 months of operation; 17 Moore Street Canberra has and awaits a formal assessment, though recorded energy data indicates that it will achieve the required standard.

NOTES

1. 16-18 Mort Street was audited by Bassett Engineering (now AECOM) in 2008 but no formal NABERS rating was given.
2. DEEWR has examined options for retro-fitting energy saving systems (upgraded lighting, etc.) into existing leases but found them to be uneconomical within leasing timeframes. Therefore the department's energy reduction strategy focuses on:
 - improving the energy efficiency of ICT and printing equipment
 - a longer-term property strategy to reduce the number of properties leased by the department, particularly in Canberra, and to aim for energy-efficient properties (e.g. NABERS 4.5 star rating) wherever new properties are leased
 - engaging and educating staff in better work practices to reduce unnecessary energy usage.