

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Australian Public Service Commission

**Outcome/Program:** Cross Portfolio

**Topic:** Coffee Machines

**Senator:** Ludwig

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**Question:**

1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013?
  - 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?
  - d. Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
  - e. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
  - f. Who has access?
  - g. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
  - h. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
2. Does the department/agency rent 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? 7. How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?

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- g. What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

**Answer:**

The Australian Public Service Commission has not purchased any coffee machines for staff use since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 and does not rent coffee machines for staff use.