

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance and Deregulation  
**Outcome/Program:** General  
**Topic:** Provision of Equipment

**Senator:** Ryan

**Question reference number:** F100

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**Answer:**

- a) Refer to the response F126 from 2012-13 Budget Estimates.
- b) For financial year to date refer to Attachment A. For 2009-10 and 2010-11 refer to F126 from 2012-13 Budget Estimates.
- c) Yes, two changes to the list provided to F126 from 2012-13 Budget Estimates. Apple iPads were provided to Senior Executive Staff (SES 1-3) and the Secretary at a cost of \$1,131.29 each. The ongoing monthly cost is \$49.00 per unit. A \$4.99 monthly phone plan charge is incurred for two Nokia C2-01 mobile phones.
- d) Yes. Changes in the products supplied have been included in the relevant attachments.
- e) Refer to Attachment B.
- f) Refer to Attachment C.
- g) Refer to Attachment B.
- h) Refer to response F126 from 2012-13 Budget Estimates.

**F100 Attachment**  
**A**

Minister for Finance and Deregulation

	<b>Costs: \$</b>
Equipment Leasing Costs	15,252
Telecommunication Costs	3,838
<b>* Total Ongoing cost for 2012-2013 YTD</b>	<b>19,090</b>

Special Minister of State

	<b>Costs: \$</b>
Equipment Leasing Costs	10,212
Telecommunication Costs	5,647
<b>* Total Ongoing cost for 2012-2013 YTD</b>	<b>15,859</b>

\*YTD = 1 July to 30 September 2012

(Questions e) &amp; g)

**List of Departmental Assets currently issued to Ministers & Ministerial Staff**

	<b>Purchase Cost \$</b>	<b>Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$</b>	<b>Provided to these staff categories (subject to business requirement approval)</b>
<b>Standard Desk Setup</b>			
Desktop PC Bundle (includes Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse)	N/A	199	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Laptop PC Bundle (includes Monitor, Keyboard and Mouse)	N/A	221	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
<b>Peripherals</b>			
Keyboard (non-standard)	27	N/A	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Monitor (non-standard)	180	N/A	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Optical Mouse (non-standard)	15	N/A	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
USB Thumbdrive	13	N/A	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Vasco Tokens (for Remote Access)	126	N/A	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Smart Label Printer	264	N/A	Ministerial Staff
Wireless Data Card	260	(Data)40	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Wireless Internet Modem/Router	296	70	Ministers Only
<b>Telecommunication Devices</b>			
iPhone (64GB) *	1,008	(Data) 45	Ministers Only
iPad (64GB)	1,131	(Data) 49	Ministers Only
BlackBerry - Bold 9900	730	(Data) 65	Ministers & Ministerial Staff
Mobile Phone (Nokia C2-01) *	123	5	Ministers Only

\* Minister Wong's Nokia C2-01 was returned in July 2012 and replaced by an iPhone.

**Mobile phone breakdown - July 2011 to June 2012**  
**Attachment C**

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**Minister Wong's Office**

<b>Telecommunication Device</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Purchase Cost inc GST \$</b>	<b>Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$</b>	<b>Total ongoing cost for 2011 - 2012</b>
BlackBerry - Bold 9900	14	730	65	10,910
BlackBerry - Bold 9900 *	1	730	65	260
Voice 2 text service **	8	0	15	120
Mobile Phone (Nokia C2-01)	1	123	5	60

\* Between July 2011 and February 2012 there were only 14 BlackBerry devices. February to June there were 15 Blackberry devices

\*\* Voice 2 text was only activated in June 2012

**Minister Gray's Office**

<b>Telecommunication Device</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Purchase Cost inc GST \$</b>	<b>Monthly Ongoing Cost (lease payments or usage charges) \$</b>	<b>Total ongoing cost for 2011 - 2012</b>
BlackBerry - Bold 9900	11	730	65	8,572
Voice 2 text service **	1	0	15	15
Mobile Phone (Nokia C2-01) *	1	123	5	45
Mobile Phone (Nokia C2-01)	1	123	65	779

\* Account was cancelled in March 2012

\*\* Voice 2 text was only activated in June 2012

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**Answer:**

- a) N/A
- b) N/A
- c) Yes. Agency staff ranging in classification from APS Level 1 to Senior Executive Service (SES) are provided with a PC located in their AEC office. In addition, staff at the Executive Level 2 (EL2) and SES level classifications are provided with a mobile device, being a mobile phone or BlackBerry.

Staff at the SES classification may also be provided with an iPad/iPhone or laptop and printer for use outside AEC offices.

Mobile phones, broadband modems, and tokens may be provided to staff below EL2 having regard to the duties of their position.

In relation to cost, the table below provides costs associated with the provision of equipment during the period 1 July – 30 September 2012.

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>1 July – 30 September 2012</b>
PCs	\$452,347 (hardware and software)
Mobile phones	\$16,738
Mobile broadband (including BlackBerry and iPad/iPhone)	\$34,088

- d) N/A
- e) No
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) Yes. Please refer to c) above.

In relation to cost, the table below provides costs associated with the provision of equipment during 2011 – 2012.

<b>Equipment</b>	<b>1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012</b>
PCs	\$1,231,221 (annualised hardware and software)
Mobile phones	\$74,170
Mobile broadband (including BlackBerry and iPad)	\$98,184

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**Answer:**

- a) N/A
- b) N/A
- c) Yes, some ComSuper staff are provided with electronic devices for work purposes. The monthly ongoing cost is approximately \$22 per device.

APS level	Purchase Cost (GST exclusive)													
	Apple iPad		Apple iPhone		Blackberry		Mobile Nokia N9		Laptop		Samsung Galaxy		Total	
	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
APS 4									1	\$ 1,172			1	\$ 1,172
APS 5					1	\$ 650			5	\$ 5,860			6	\$ 6,510
APS 6									8	\$ 9,376	1	\$ 691	9	\$ 10,067
EL 1	6	\$ 5,181	3	\$ 2,790	3	\$ 1,950			19	\$ 21,096	1	\$ 691	32	\$ 31,708
EL 2	19	\$ 16,407	5	\$ 4,650	2	\$ 1,300	1	\$ 600	9	\$ 10,548			36	\$ 33,505
SES1	6	\$ 5,181	4	\$ 3,720	1	\$ 650			2	\$ 2,344	1	\$ 691	14	\$ 12,586
CEO	1	\$ 864	1	\$ 930									2	\$ 1,794
<b>Total</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>\$ 27,633</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>\$ 12,090</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>\$ 4,550</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 600</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>\$ 50,396</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>\$ 2,073</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>\$ 97,342</b>

- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) Yes. Please refer to the response to question F126 from May Budget Estimates 2012.

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**Department/Agency: Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation**

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- a) N/A
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- c) Yes. See Attachment A.
- d) N/A
- e) N/A
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) Yes. See Attachment B.

**Attachment A**

<b>FYTD 2012-13</b>			
<b>Electronic equipment</b>		<b>Purchase cost (\$)</b>	<b>Ongoing cost (\$)</b>
<b>Senior executives</b>			
	Mobile telephones	-	5,067
	iPads	-	6,180
	Wireless internet cards	-	1,156
	Laptops	-	-
<b>Other staff</b>			
	Mobile telephones	2,352	15,560
	iPads	916	1,264
	Wireless internet cards	-	2,445
	Laptops	3,859	-
<b>All staff</b>			
	Desktop computers (hardware and software)	127,731	60,753*
<b>Total</b>		<b>134,858</b>	<b>92,425</b>

\*Depreciation amount for FYTD.

**Attachment B**

<b>FY 2011-12</b>			
<b>Electronic equipment</b>		<b>Purchase cost (\$)</b>	<b>Ongoing cost (\$)</b>
<b>Senior executives</b>			
	Mobile telephones	509	13,434
	iPads	-	4,430
	Wireless internet cards	-	2,780
	Laptops	3,361	-
<b>Other staff</b>			
	Mobile telephones	5,555	39,659
	iPads	-	6,754
	Wireless internet cards	-	4,010
	Laptops	6,341	-
<b>All staff</b>			
	Desktop computers (hardware and software)	92,617	141,379*
<b>Total</b>		<b>108,383</b>	<b>212,446</b>

\*Annualised depreciation amount for FY.

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**Answer:**

- a) N/A

- b) N/A
- c) Yes. Blackberry phones. \$49,593 purchase cost, with ongoing cost a function of use and contract arrangements but estimates at \$50 per device. Classification ranges from FFMA Level 2 through FFMA Level 6.  
Laptops \$94,153 purchase cost. Classification ranges from FFMA Level 2 through FFMA Level 6.  
A pool of six ipads is available for use by staff on an as needed basis at a cost of \$3,968.
- d) The pool of ipads has been introduced since Budget Estimates in May 2012.
- e) No
- f) N/A
- g) N/A
- h) Refer c).