

## QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

### BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 27 – 28 May 2013

#### IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

#### (BE13/0537) PROGRAM – Internal Product

Senator Humphries (Written) asked:

What are the details of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement? What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?

*Answer:*

The Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) has electricity purchasing agreements with the following suppliers:

#### ACT

- A market contract is in place with Energy Resource Management (ERM) for all ACT sites except Benjamin Offices in Belconnen.
- Electricity costs for Benjamin Offices are paid to the lessor under the leasing agreement.

#### NSW

- A market contract is in place with Energy Australia for all NSW sites except Sydney International Airport.
- Electricity costs at Sydney International Airport are paid to the lessor under the leasing agreement.

#### VIC

- A market contract is in place with Lumo for the Dandenong office.
- The remaining sites are either supplied by Origin Energy or electricity costs are paid to the lessor under the respective leasing agreements.

#### QLD

- Most sites are supplied electricity by Ergon Energy.
- Electricity costs on the remaining sites are paid to the lessor under the respective property leasing agreements.

#### SA, NT, WA, TAS

- Electricity costs are paid to the lessor under the leasing agreements.

For the period 1 July 2012 to 28 May 2013 the department's total electricity costs were:

Electricity Costs	Excluding GST	GST	Total
	\$9,631,366.63	\$963,136.66	\$10,594,503.29

*MRT-RRT:*

MRT-RRT electricity purchasing agreements vary by location, and include direct contracts with electricity firms and payment for services through tenancy leasing agreements. In the financial year to 12 June 2013, the MRT-RRT spent \$180,410 on electricity.