Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 121

Topic: Coffee Machines

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage?

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? 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?

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

Answer:

The department does not rent coffee machines for staff usage.