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Australia Post

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Topic: Computers

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used

2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location

3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

1. Australia Post does not have any computers that are owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office.

2. Australia Post currently has 23,236 desktop and/or laptop devices that are used in the corporation. Approximate inventory is as follows:

     a. 8,354 computers within the Post Office Network (at an average cost of $1,500 per device)
     b. 14,882 computers within the Corporate Network (at an average of $1,300 per device)

3. The operating system licenses are purchased at the time of equipment purchase, and include:

   - Microsoft Windows XP
   - Microsoft Windows 7
   - Microsoft Windows 8.1
   - Mac OS X
   - Microsoft Windows Server 2003

   Ongoing support for this environment is provided by an internal workforce of Australia Post employees and specialist contractors.

   There is an annual $350 'per user' operating software fee for Corporate users covering:

   - MS Windows Professional upgrade license
   - MS Office 365
   - MS Windows Remote Desktop Client access license