Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 43

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Provision of equipment

Senator Ludwig asked:

Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to Department/Agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the Department/Agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

The ABC provides staff who are on call or work away from ABC offices with the necessary electronic equipment to efficiently and effectively undertake their duties. In providing staff with equipment to fulfil their duties away from ABC offices, the nature and needs of individual roles are taken into account and approved by senior management. The ABC does not keep records of allocation of equipment by staff classification.

The allocation and cost of electronic equipment at the end of financial year 2014 is outlined in the table below.

Items	Sub Type	Qty	Purchase/Cost	Comments
iPads		301	\$221,693	Includes second year support
Laptops	Windows	1,661	\$3,399,804	Includes 4 years warranty
	Mac	317	\$1,033,996	
Wireless Cards		206	\$52,814	
VPN Tokens		1,720	\$152,805	Allows for 3 year usage
Smart Phones	iPhone	970	\$777,655	
	Android	128	\$84,100	
Total			\$5,722,867	