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Topic: Green At Work Program

Senator McKenzie asked:

Senator McKENZIE: I was wondering if you could, on notice, let me know how much efficiency the Green at Work program is given?

Mr Scott: Sure.

Senator McKENZIE: My understanding is that the budget allocation from the federal government is more than \$1 billion a year. Is that correct?

Mr Scott: Yes, including transmission.

Answer:

The ABC's Green@Work program was established in October 2006 to coordinate the ABC's sustainability activities and facilitate improved energy savings and environmental performance. Since the commencement of the program, that ABC has spent \$160,000 per annum on operational costs.

The Green@Work program develops and promotes initiatives to lessen the ABC's environmental impact and encourage environmental awareness. To date, the Corporation has invested \$974,000 in capital upgrades to support this. For further information please see the ABC's 2014 Annual Report (pp 98-103).

In 2013-14, the ABC reduced its energy consumption by 2.8% and also recorded a decrease of 2.8% in its Greenhouse Gas Emissions over 2012-13 levels.