

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014**  
**Communications Portfolio**  
**Department of Communications**

**Question No: 60**

**Program 1.1**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Unallocated Equipment**

**Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:**

1. Please detail how much electrical equipment, phones and computers the department/agency has in storage or unallocated to staff
2. Please detail the purchase, storage and ongoing costs associated with equipment, phones and computers in storage or unallocated.

**Answer:**

1. The Department holds a limited quantity of unallocated electrical equipment, including phones and computers as a contingency in the event of hardware failure or urgent request. To provide data in the form requested would require an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
2. There are no storage costs for unallocated equipment.