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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Provision of Equipment – Ministerial & Departmental

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QUESTION No.: BI-119

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?
 - a. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification.
2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive, video cameras) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

ANSWER

1. The Department provides Apple iPhone 5 or Blackberry Z30 to the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary and their staff. The purchase costs of these phones is undertaken through whole of government arrangements and is approximately \$727 for Apple iPhone 5, or \$610 for Blackberry Z30 (GST exclusive) per handset.
 - a. As at 30 June 2014, there are 15 mobile phones issued to the Minister’s Office (approximate equipment cost of \$10,788) and 4 mobile phones issued to the Parliamentary Secretary’s Office (approximate equipment cost of \$2,908).
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Equipment Provided	Purchase cost (GST exclusive)	Ongoing cost	Staff details
Tablets			
iPad	\$648	\$29 per month (2 yr plan)	A small number of iPads have been issued to Senior Executives
Laptops			
Dell Latitude 6330	\$940	Nil	Staff with a business requirement to work remotely may be issued with a laptop
Wireless			
Telstra Mobile Wifi 4G)	\$152	\$29 per month	Data cards are available to SES officers and other

			staff with a business requirement
USB Drives			
Thumb Drive (Kingston Data Traveller Vault Privacy USB)	\$12	Nil	Available to all staff with a business requirement on request
LOK-IT USB Flash Drive	\$131	Nil	Available to all staff with a business requirement on request
Smartphones			
iPhones (4s and 5s)	\$700-\$800	Voice = \$5 per month Data = \$30 per month	Devices are provided to SES and other staff with an approved business requirement
Mobile Phones			
Various models	\$200-\$500 (approx.) Handset costs varies according to model	\$5 per month	Each Division determines the entitlement of departmental mobile phones to staff