

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Comcare

Department of Employment Question No. EM1018_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Comcare - Departmental Upgrades

"Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014: Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? 1. If so, list these 2. If so, list the total cost for these changes 3. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure 4. If so, who conducted the works? 5. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works 6. If so, when are the works expected to be completed? "

Answer

1. *Has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities? If so, list these.*

Yes. An existing conference room wall in our Adelaide office was upgraded by installing an additional insulated wall to reduce noise transfer.

2. *If so, list the total cost for these changes.*

The total costs for the changes were \$9,900 GST inclusive.

3. *If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure.*

- Construction of wall and materials – \$5,060
- Electrical services - \$1,078
- Painting services and materials – \$1,078
- Cleaning services – \$484
- Builders supervision and administration - \$2,200

4. *If so, who conducted the works?*

Cook Building & Development Pty Ltd

5. *If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works.*

A direct source process was used with Cook Building & Development Pty Ltd who had already completed works in the building for the building owners.

6. *If so, when are the works expected to be completed?*

The works were completed on 17 October 2014.