Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

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Question:

1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used.

- 2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location.
- 3. Please detail the operating systems used by the department's computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs.

Answer:

1.

	Parliament House	Electoral Office (Perth)			
Desktop	6	5			
Laptop	10	3			

Allocated to Minister and Ministerial Staff

2. As at February 2016, there are 1,446 desktop and 659 laptop computers located across Finance tenancies. These machines are owned by Finance and there is no ongoing cost.

The table below shows the location of Finance computers by State:

	WA	NT	SA	QLD	NSW	TAS	VIC	ACT	Total
Desktops	12	1	9	3	13	7	12	1,389	1,446
Laptops	5	0	2	10	2	1	1	638	659

3. Finance uses Microsoft Vista as the primary desktop operating system under a Core Desktop Licence (CDL) model. A CDL provides a suite of commonly used Microsoft desktop and other software products including the operating system. The CDL is purchased under the Microsoft Volume Sourcing Arrangement II.

Costs for the entire Microsoft Volume Sourcing Arrangement (VSA) for Finance are estimated at \$1.4 million for financial year 2015-16.