

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

Question No: 145
Hearing: Additional Estimates
Outcome: Corporate
Programme: Corporate Strategies Division
Topic: Portfolio wide – departmental upgrades
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Question Type: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since 7 September 2013 has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?

- a) If so, list these
- b) If so, list the total cost for these changes
- c) If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure
- d) If so, who conducted the works?
- e) If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works
- f) If so, when are the works expected to be completed?

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Answer:

Department of the Environment

Yes

a) List	b) Total cost (GST inclusive)	c) Itemised cost (GST inclusive)	d) Who conducted the works	e) Process to identify who would conduct works	f) When are works expected to be completed
Various minor works in Canberra	\$91,764.20	John Gorton Building - Replace swinging doors with sliding doors, level 1 - \$8,729.60. Minor alterations to ground floor office partitions - \$5,940. Supply and install four wall mounted fans and associated residual current devices to Sub-basement - \$2,943.60. Reconfiguration of work area on the Ground Floor - \$47,089.35.	Hytec Interior Solutions	Open tender	Completed

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		Reconfiguration of work area in the Communications Centre - \$22,903.65. Alterations to screen work on level 4 - \$4,158.00			
Minor works in the Kingston, Hobart premises	\$99,158.99	Automatic Door installation - \$99,158.99	Haden Engineering	Nominated under existing Facilities Management Agreement	Completed

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

Yes

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Additional work on the Reef HQ Aquarium Solar Energy System	\$13,385	Power outlets and emergency lights associated with the Reef HQ Aquarium Solar Energy System - \$2,291. Stage 2 installation of Reef HQ Aquarium Solar Energy System - \$11,094.	Pegasus Electrical, Stowe Australia	Reef HQ electrical contractor, Original supplier.	Completed.

Director of National Parks

Yes

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Christmas Island National Park – Headquarters upgrade	\$160,763.10	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Watson Island Carpentry & Excavating Services Pty Ltd	Open tender undertaken.	Practical ¹ completion achieved.

¹ Practical completion means complete except for minor defects

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Christmas Island National Park – construction of new Skink House	\$109,744.00	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Watson Island Carpentry & Excavating Services Pty Ltd	Open tender undertaken.	Practical completion achieved.
Christmas Island National Park – Construction of new laboratory	\$284,606.55	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Watson Island Carpentry & Excavating Services Pty Ltd	Open tender undertaken.	Practical completion achieved.
Christmas Island National Park – Pink House research station refurbishment	\$251,634.85	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Watson Island Carpentry & Excavating Services Pty Ltd	Open tender undertaken.	Practical completion achieved.
Australian National Botanic Gardens – replacement of worn carpet in section of the Ellis Rowan building,	\$11,390.50	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Interface Australia P/L Capital Waste Skips. Scullin Carpet Service. Allied Pickfords.	Approach to market – companies approached to quote in line with agency procurement guidelines.	Completed.
Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park – upgraded radio communications system	\$29,360.00	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Karera and GHD	Open tender undertaken.	Completed.

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Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park – Drill new bores and upgrading existing bore infrastructure	\$94,453.81	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Sinclair Knight and Diverse Drilling	Open tender.	June 2014.
Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park – Upgrades to security alarm system	\$1,263.18	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Chubb	Single source.	Completed.
Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park – Rectification of electricity distribution	\$21,695.40	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	TDC	Single source.	Completed.
Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park – Repairs to housing	\$11,560.00	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	Alice T&C	Single source.	Completed.
Kakadu National Park – Asbestos remediation in staff housing and two ablution blocks	\$2,592,684.00	40 staff houses - \$2,389,895.00 2 public ablutions - \$202,789.00	DTZ Australia JAC Asbestos Removals Murphy Builders Queensland Health Safety Environment Australia	Open tender and Limited tender undertaken.	Completed

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Kakadu National Park – upgrade of Mardugal Campground ablution block (not part of Asbestos Removal Project)	\$30,141.10	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	DTZ Australia	Single source.	Works completed.
Kakadu National Park – upgrade Merl 1 Campground ablution block. (not part of Asbestos Removal Project)	\$91,256.00	Due to resource constraints itemised cost not available.	DTZ Australia	Single source.	Works completed.

All other portfolio agencies have provided a “Nil” response.