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Communications Portfolio

Australian Communications and Media Authority

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Program No. Australian Communication and Media Authority

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Topic: Provision of equipment

Senator Ludwig asked:

Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.

Answer:

The ACMA provides the following equipment to staff:

- All staff have a PC at an average cost of \$1,300-\$1,500.
- All staff have a desk telephone at a cost of approximately \$250.
- Laptops are available to staff from a loan pool. The laptops have an average cost of \$1,350-\$2,200.
- Staff at an EL2 level and above have a smartphone (currently an Apple iPhone) at an average cost of \$900. Some staff below EL2 levels have a phone for operational requirements.
- Some operations staff have been issued iPads at an average cost of \$800-\$900 for related operational use.