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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION

**TOPIC:** Operating expenses for reactor fuel assemblies

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Colbeck

**QUESTION No.:** AI-53

In the months since the 2009-10 Budget, what has been the amount of ANSTO's operating expenses in relation to reactor fuel assemblies and does that amount remain within the original budgetary expectations?

**ANSWER**

For the period between 1 July 2010 and 31 January 2011, ANSTO's operating expenses in relation to reactor fuel assemblies total \$1,852,492 (excluding GST). Presently, this amount remains within ANSTO's original budgetary expectations.