

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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**Treasury Portfolio**

Additional Estimates

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**Question: AET 1120-1121**

**Topic: Coffee machines (APRA)**

**Written: 5 March 2014**

**Senator LUDWIG asked:**

1120. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff useage since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013?
- If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased?
  - Why were coffee machines purchased?
  - Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
  - Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
  - Who has access?
  - Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
  - What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?
1121. Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff useage?
- If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
  - Why are coffee machines rented?
  - Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result?
  - Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from?
  - Who has access?
  - Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?
  - What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?

**Answer:**

- 1120-1121. The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority does not provide, nor does it rent, coffee machines for staff use.