Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: AET 60-62

Topic: Computers (Tsy)

Written: 5 March 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

- 60. 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
- 61. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location
- 62. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

- 60. The department provides computers to Ministerial Office staff as part of the standard service offering.
- 61. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.
- 62. The department's computers use the Windows 7 Operating environment. The operating software is covered under the whole of government Microsoft licensing arrangement. Under this arrangement, Treasury pays \$178,243 per annum for Core Desktop Licenses for Treasury, Treasury Ministers and some of the Portfolio Agencies.