

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Electricity Purchasing

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: BI-207

1. Provide an update of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement. Provide details of when this was entered into and the length of the agreement.
2. What were the department/agency electricity costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?
3. What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?

ANSWER

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY

1. The following tables provide details on electricity purchasing agreements department:

Site	Start Date	End Date	Lead Agency/Supplier
10 Binara Street Canberra, ACT	1 July 2011	30 June 2015	Department of Defence, whole of government agreement
105 Delhi Road North Ryde, NSW	1 April 2012	30 June 2015	Department of Defence, whole of government agreement
Lot 12/33 Kingtel Place, Geebung QLD	1 July 2011	30 June 2014	AGL
Levels 4 & 5 George Street, Sydney NSW	1 July 2011	30 June 2013	Energy Australia
1 Suakin Street, Pymble, NSW	31 December 2009	30 June 2012	CSIRO electricity purchasing agreement
153 Bertie Street, Port Melbourne, VIC	31 December 2009	31 December 2012	CSIRO electricity purchasing agreement

2. Please refer to BI-211.
3. Please refer to BI-211.

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER STUDIES (AIATSIS)

1. The following tables provide details on electricity purchasing agreements for AIATSIS:

Site	Start Date	End Date	Lead Agency/Supplier
Lawson Street Acton, ACT	1 July 2011	30 June 2015	Department of Defence, whole of government agreement

2. Please refer to BI-135.
3. Please refer to BI-135.

AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MARINE (AIMS)

1. AIMS does not have an electricity purchasing agreement currently in place.
2. Please refer to BI-211.
3. Please refer to BI-211.

AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY ORGANISATION (ANSTO)

1. The following table provides details on electricity purchasing agreements for ANSTO:

Site	Start Date	End Date	Lead Agency/Supplier
New Illawarra Road, Lucas Heights NSW	1 July 2010	31 December 2012	CSIRO electricity purchasing agreement

2. Please refer to BI-135.
3. Please refer to BI-135.

AUSTRALIAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ARC)

1. ARC does not have an electricity purchasing agreement currently in place.
2. Please refer to BI-211.
3. Please refer to BI-211.

AUSTRALIAN SKILLS QUALITY AUTHORITY (ASQA)

1. ASQA does not have an electricity purchasing agreement as electricity costs are included for under the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations/ASQA MOU leasing arrangements.
2. Please refer to BI-211.
3. Please refer to BI-211.

COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION (CSIRO)

1. The following tables provide details on electricity purchasing agreements for CSIRO.

Zone	Start Date	End Date	Lead Agency/Supplier
ACT	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	Energy Australia
NSW	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	Energy Australia
QLD	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	Energy Australia
VIC	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	Energy Australia
SA	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	AGL Ltd
TAS	1st Jan 2010	31 December 2012	Aurora Energy
WA	1st April 2011	31 December 2012	Perth Energy

Agreements are entered into when the annual consumption is expected to be more than 100MWh for Qld and the ACT, and more than 160MWh for the other States/Territories. Agreements are not established for specific localities where the annual MWh electricity consumption is lower than the rates identified above. In these instances, the relevant Business Tariff is adopted. The following States/Territories are using Business Tariffs:

Zone		Supplier
ACT	Business Tariffs	ActewAGL/Powerdirect
NSW	Business Tariffs	Powerdirect
QLD	Business Tariffs	Powerdirect and Origin
VIC	Business Tariffs	Powerdirect
NT	Business Tariffs	PowerWater
WA	Business Tariffs	Synergy

2. Please refer to BI-136.
3. Please refer to BI-136.

IP AUSTRALIA

1. The following table provides details on electricity purchasing agreements for IP Australia:

Site	Start Date	End Date	Lead Agency/Supplier
47 Bowes Street, Phillip, ACT	1 July 2011	30 June 2015	Department of Defence, whole of government agreement

2. Please refer to BI-211.

3. Please refer to BI-211.

TERTIARY EDUCATION QUALITY AND STANDARDS AGENCY

1. TEQSA does not have an electricity purchasing agreement as electricity costs are included for under the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations/ASQA MOU leasing arrangements.
2. Please refer to BI-211.
3. Please refer to BI-211.