

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: General

Topic: Electricity purchasing agreement

Senator: Ryan

Question reference number: F127

Type of question: Written

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Answer:

- a) The Department has an electricity purchasing agreement with ERM Power Retail Pty Ltd for three of its ACT sites. The electricity purchasing agreement commenced on 1 July 2011 and can be accessed until 30 June 2015. All other sites use the general supply.
- b) 2009-10 electricity costs \$817,171*
2010-11 electricity costs \$818,033*
- c) For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 the electricity costs are \$650,511*.

(*The above figures exclude the electricity costs associated with Senators and Members Electorate Offices and visiting Ministers, Senators and Members offices located in the Commonwealth Parliamentary Offices.)

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Answer:

- a) The AEC does not have a single contract for supply of electricity as it has nation-wide property portfolios which require leasing of offices. A single electricity supply contract is not possible. Separate arrangements are established with electricity suppliers for each office at the point of the AEC assuming occupancy at the site and for the duration of the lease.

b)

Financial Year	\$
2009-10	480,073
2010-11	771,537*

*increased occupancy of AEC tenancies in preparation for and during the 2010 Federal Election resulted in higher electricity costs in 2010-11.

- c) For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 the electricity costs are \$508,911.

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Answer:

- a) ComSuper entered into a Whole of Government electricity purchasing contract through the Department of Defence Head Agreement with ERM Power Retail Limited from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2015.
- b) 2009-10 - \$250,395 (GST Incl)
2010-11 - \$261,979 (GST Incl)
- c) ComSuper's electricity costs for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 was \$184,277 (GST Incl).

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Answer:

- a) For CSC's Canberra office, electricity costs are bundled with the rent and cannot be itemised. The lease commenced on 1 July 2011 and terminates on 30 June 2019. CSC is invoiced for electricity costs for its Sydney office.

b)

	2009-10 (\$)	2010-11 (\$)
Canberra office	24,112	20,320
Sydney office	23,556	26,857

c)

	FYTD (\$)
Canberra office	N/A
Sydney office	21,432

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Answer:

- a) No agreement.
- b) 2009-10 - \$20,582
2010-11 - \$36,439
- c) For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012 the electricity costs are \$26,582.