

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Topic: Electricity purchasing

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

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

Answer:

1. The office purchases electricity from ACTEWAGL and is on a *business plan* rate.
2. The agreement has been in place since the office moved into its current premises (5th Floor, 14 Childers Street, Canberra) in May 2010.
3. The Office's electricity costs for 2010 and 2011 were \$55,942 and \$56,842 respectively.
4. Electricity costs for this financial year to end April 2012 were \$40,731.