

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 15-18 October 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

Outcome/Program: 1.1.3 Support Services for Government Operations

Topic: Electricity Pricing 2011-12

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

- i. Provide details of any update of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement if there has been a change since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012).
- ii. What are the department/agency electricity costs for 2011-12?
- iii. What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?

Answer:

- i. There has been no update to the Department's electricity purchasing agreement since Budget Estimates 2011-12.
- ii. The Department's electricity costs for 2011-12 were \$270,837 (GST inclusive). Arts and Sport Group costs for this period will be provided by the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.
- iii. The Department's electricity costs for this financial year to date (as at 30 September 2012) are \$87,620 (GST inclusive).