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PM&C Portfolio

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Question:

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).

What are the department/agency electricity costs for 2011-12?

What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?

Answer:

The National Mental Health Commission was established on 1 January 2012 and has not entered into an electricity purchasing agreement. The Commission's electricity usage is included in the electricity purchasing agreement of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C), with relevant electricity usage charges repaid to PM&C by the Commission.

The Commission electricity costs for 2011-12 were \$2,626.04 (ex GST).

For this financial year as at 31 October 2012, the Commission has not paid any electricity costs. These will be paid on receipt of an invoice from PM&C.