

**Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**National Archives of Australia**

**Additional Estimates 12 February 2013**

**Question: 138**

**Topic: Electricity Expenditure for National Archives of Australia**

**Asked By: Senator BRANDIS**

**Type of Question: Written**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 5 April 2013**

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In response to Questions on Notice 40 and 41, October 2012, the Archives reported a significant increase in expenditure for electricity.

- a. Have the Archives been compensated by the Commonwealth for this increase in electricity expenditure?
- b. How much did the Archives spend on electricity in 2011-12?
- c. How much does the Archives now expect it will now spend on electricity in 2012-13?
- d. From where will the Archives find the additional funds to pay for this increase?
- e. To what do the Archives attribute this increase in electricity cost?
- f. Did the Archives have in place energy saving measures prior to June 2012?
  - i. Please detail the energy saving measures in place prior to June 2012.

**Answer:**

- a. No.
- b. \$966,913.
- c. The Archives expects current usage levels to be maintained.
- d. The Archives' operating budget changes year to year, electricity is included in that budget.
- e. This is a matter for the electricity supplier..
- f. Yes.
  - i. photovoltaic energy generation plant at Cannon Hill Queensland increased from 25kW to 40kW;
  - ii. small photovoltaic generation plant at Parkes, ACT; and
  - iii. regular review condition requirements for archives storage spaces across the portfolio to achieve energy efficiencies while preserving records of national significance.

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**Question: 139**

**Topic: Ministerial Attendance at National Archives of Australia Functions**

**Asked By: Senator BRANDIS**

**Type of Question: Written**

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When did the Minister, or the Prime Minister attend a function or visit your facilities in:

- a. 2013
- b. 2012
- c. 2011
- d. 2010
- e. 2009
- f. 2008

**Answer:**

- a. 2013: Not applicable.
- b. 2012: Minister Crean, February, visit, Canberra.  
Minister Crean, March, function, Canberra.  
Minister Crean, May, function, Canberra.  
Minister Crean, September, visit, Canberra.
- c. 2011: Minister O'Connor, January, function, Canberra.  
Minister O'Connor, March, function, Canberra.  
Minister O'Connor, May, function, Canberra.  
Minister O'Connor, July, Darwin Office, visit.
- d. 2010: Senator Ludwig, April, Darwin Office, visit.  
Senator Ludwig, May, Hobart Office, visit.
- e. 2009: Senator Faulkner, May, function, Canberra.  
Senator Ludwig, June, function, Canberra.  
Senator Ludwig, July, function and visit, Canberra.  
Senator Ludwig, October, Brisbane Office, visit.

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- f. 2008: Senator Faulkner, June, function, Canberra.  
Senator Faulkner, July, function, Canberra.  
Senator Faulkner, July, function, Canberra.  
Senator Faulkner, September, function, Canberra.  
Prime Minister Rudd & Senator Faulkner, November, function, Canberra.

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**Question: 140**

**Topic: Number of staff employed by the National Archives of Australia**

**Asked By: Senator BRANDIS**

**Type of Question: Written**

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For each of the financial years from 2007-08 to 2015-16, please provide the number of staff, or projected number of staff, employed by the Archives.

**Answer:**

- 2007-08) refer to the 2007-08 annual report
- 2008-09) refer to the 2008-09 annual report
- 2009-10) refer to the 2009-10 annual report
- 2010-11) refer to the 2010-11 annual report
- 2011-12) refer to the 2011-12 annual report
- 2012-13) 429 (ASL) Portfolio Budget Statements (estimates)

Staff projections are likely to be consistent with current levels.