Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 7 Ouestion No. 217

Topic: Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) – Administrative

Costs

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Senator Payne asked:

With respect to the eight per cent cap on the administrative costs of the Strategic Indigenous Housing and Infrastructure Program (SIHIP) housing contracts, what matters are considered 'administrative'?

Answer:

Eight per cent of the total SIHIP program are the Northern Territory Governments' costs to oversight and manage the program, at a cost of \$53.76 million of the total program cost of \$672 million. These costs include:

- government employee and contractor salaries and on-costs including corporate overheads;
- project or technical management consultancy costs outside of the alliances such as costs for the independent cost estimator and design coordinator; and
- travel costs for government and all project or technical management consultants.