

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National e-Health Transition Authority (NeHTA)

Budget Estimates 2012-13 October

Question: 20

OUTCOME 10.2: e-Health

Topic: Hire Cars

Senator Boyce asked:

Could NEHTA provide details of total expenditure on hire cars in the last 12 months for all staff, contractors and clients?

Answer.

Expenditure on hire cars is not differentiated within NEHTA's book of accounts and is consolidated into ground transport costs. All ground transport costs have been incurred in accordance with the relevant NEHTA travel and expenditure policies and procedural guidelines. NEHTA's policies allow for Hire Cars to be used from time to time where the circumstances dictate. Such circumstances include where other forms of ground transport are unreliable, where cost differences are minimal or productivity or confidentiality considerations apply.