

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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**Senator:** Peris, Nova

**Question:**

- a) Did that report [from the NT Government on Palmerston Hospital] include detailed engineering plans?
- b) Did that design package include a complete fit-out of the hospital? What did the design package look like?

**Answer:**

- a) Detailed engineering plans were not required as part of the report provided by the NT Government for the payment of the \$35 million commence construction milestone.
- b) Approximately 50 per cent of the design documentation has been completed. Further design specifications are being developed as the construction proceeds. In 'managing contractor' procurement approaches such as adopted for the Palmerston Hospital, design development is typically undertaken in conjunction with the construction works.