Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2015-16

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Senator: Ketter

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Question:

Senator KETTER: Which minister made the decision to engage Coffey Projects (Australia) and Nation Partners, and when was that decision made?

Senator Cormann: That would not have been a ministerial decision. That would have been a decision at a departmental level.

Ms Halton: That would have been a departmental decision.

Senator KETTER: Are you able to provide further information about at what level that decision was made?

Ms Halton: We will have to take that on notice.

Senator KETTER: That decision obviously was not approved by cabinet?

Senator Cormann: No.

Ms Halton: No.

Answer:

The decision to engage Coffey Projects Australia was made at Assistant Secretary level within the Department of Finance on the 10 September 2013.

The decision to engage Nation Partners was made at Director level within the Department of Finance on 27 February 2014.