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TOPIC: Green Building Fund

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QUESTION No.: SI-1

A criterion for the funding programme was ‘developed following extensive industry consultation’.

Will the Department explain;

- (i) what was the level of industry consultation?
- (ii) what stakeholders were consulted when criteria related advice was sought?
- (iii) over what period did these consultations take place?

ANSWER

- (i) Industry consultation workshops were held in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne. One-on-one meetings with key industry stakeholders were also held in these locations and in Canberra.
- (ii) These workshops and meetings included discussion of possible criteria for the program and participants including representatives from industry associations, architectural and engineering firms, National Australian Built Environment Rating System (NABERS) administrators, energy consultants, building owners, facilities managers, the Green Building Council of Australia, State Governments, and other relevant environmental organisations, such as the Australian Sustainable Building Environment Council.
- (iii) The sessions took place primarily during June and July 2008.