Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2010-2011

Outcome 2 - Schools

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Question

TRADE TRAINING CENTRES PROJECTS

Senator CORMANN—Are you able to provide us with the percentage of how much of the project that was spent on management fees for each one of those projects in rounds 1 and 2? Mr De Silva—The individual cost for every single project? Senator CORMANN—What was allocated as a proportion of the overall spend on each project for management fees and— Mr De Silva—Design costs and engineers? Senator CORMANN—All of those, yes. Mr De Silva—Yes.

Answer

Under the current Program Guidelines, Project Management at 3.4.4 states:

Consultancy, project management and statutory costs such as building application fees can be included in major capital works and minor capital works applications... project management costs must not exceed 15% of the total funding amount requested for capital works and can include:

- building design and development;
- *tender and contract documentation; and*
- building project management fees.

As design and engineering costs can be attributed to either project management or the capital works budget, collating this information would require manually revisiting each individual project budget which is not feasible.