

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Australian Electoral Commission**

**Additional Estimates Hearing – 13 February 2007**

**Question: F39**

**Outcome 2, Output 2.1.3**

**Topic: AEC compliance review of Australian Labor Party NSW Branch.**

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**Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:**

You mentioned maturation of deposits. The article says the \$1.07 million ‘other receipt’ from Adelaide Bank declared by the New South Wales ALP in 2004-05 was not a donation but simply interest earned from funds on deposits.

**Mr Bodel**—That is not a donation.

**Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS**—We look forward to your investigations, Mr Bodel. So you will just take these and answer them on notice as part of the process? When do you expect those investigations to be completed?

**Mr Bodel**—Some time during the next 12 months. I believe New South Wales is in the first half of the year; so before the end of June.

**Senator FIERRAVANTI-WELLS**—Before the end of June. Thank you very much.

**Answer:**

The Australian Electoral Commission will be conducting a routine compliance review of the Australian Labor Party NSW Branch before the end of June 2007. The compliance review will examine whether the Party has any outstanding disclosure obligations.