Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

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Question: PM 20

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Topic: Beaudesert Rail

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Senator Carr asked: Can you indicate what the Prime Minister's involvement was in lifting the grant offer of \$400,000 to \$600,000 – a decision which I understand was made on 4 November 2003?

Senator Hill: They cannot answer a question as to what the Prime Minister's involvement was.

Mr Metcalfe: We will take that on notice and, if we can provide any advice, we will.

Answer: The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet has no further information on the Prime Minister's involvement.