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Question:

It has been stated that the 4 sustainability principles from the APCC framework are taken into account in making procurement decisions. In light of the fact that the procurement policy imposes no sustainability provisions at all, could you describe how those 4 principles have been taken into account in procurement decisions, with reference to specific procurement decisions. In particular, we would ask that examples be taken from several procurement decisions relating to timber in Commonwealth building programmes.

Answer:

Under the Australian Government's devolved procurement policy framework, the Department of Finance and Deregulation does not maintain a central record of agency procurement decisions.