Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Cost to implement environmental standards

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Senator Adams asked:

Could you provide further information about the cost to implement these environmental standards and the changes that have happened?

Answer:

Work completed under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing is required to comply with the national Building Code of Australia (BCA) and relevant Australian Standards.

The costs associated with implementing the environmental standards in the BCA are included in the unit cost of housing contracted by state and territory governments and it is not possible to separately identify these costs.