Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 7 Question No: 173

Topic: Home Ownership on Indigenous Lands (HOIL)

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Senator Siewert asked:

Can you report on the current status of the 15 housing loans established in the Tiwi Islands?

Answer:

Of the 15 loans approved at 30 June 2010:

- All have had the land component settled.
- 8 houses have reached 'practical completion', the stage where the buildings are completed, final payment has been made to the builder and the defect liability period begins.
- 4 are finalising construction or renovations.
- 2 clients have terminated contracts with their builder and are now negotiating new construction or renovation contracts.
- 1 client is yet to sign a contract with a builder.