

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

National e-Health Transition Authority (NeHTA)

Budget Estimates 2011-12, Supplementary Estimates

Question: 39

OUTCOME 10.2: e-Health

Topic: Government payment of accounts

Senator McKenzie asked:

For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e.within 30 days)? If not, why not, and what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached)

- **For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?**
- **Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?**

Answer:

This question does not apply to NEHTA, however, to the best of our knowledge and belief, all accounts are paid within these timeframes.