

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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Topic: Remote Housing

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Senator Siewert asked:

1. How many houses constructed under SIHIP in Maningrida cannot be occupied because there is no water connected to the premises? When will these houses be able to be occupied?
2. How many houses constructed under SIHIP in Gunbalunya cannot be occupied because there is no water connected to the premises? When will these houses be able to be occupied?
3. How many houses constructed under SIHIP in the Northern Territory cannot be occupied because there is no water connected to the premises?

Answer:

1. The Northern Territory Government advise that all houses constructed under SIHIP in Maningrida are connected to the town water supply and are ready for occupancy.
2. The Northern Territory Government advise that all houses constructed under SIHIP in Gunbalanya are connected to the town water supply and are ready for occupancy.
3. All new houses constructed under the program are connected to water. Houses are not counted as complete or available for occupation unless they are connected to electricity, water and sewerage.