

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2008-09**

Outcome 1

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Senator Hanson-Young asked on 25 February 2009, EEWL Hansard page 39

Question

Child Care Industry Taskforce Questions on ABC Learning

Senator HANSON-YOUNG—Was the income and actual expenditure of each centre for 2008 given to people who expressed an interest and, therefore, it is helping them inform their binding bid?

Mr Manthorpe—I would have to check that, Senator, in terms of precisely what data is up there for potential bidders.

Answer

As part of the Expression of Interest process the ABC 2 Court Appointed Receiver provided the following information through a PPB operated on-line data room to parties who expressed an interest, paid a small refundable deposit and entered a confidentiality agreement:

- General centre overview, including historical revenue and information about key expenditure items such as staffing levels and rent expenditure data
- Photographs of the centre

PPB subsequently provided the following further information to interested bidders who proceeded to submit a phase 1 non-binding offer:

- Accreditation decisions relating to the centre
- Asset listings
- Employee entitlements details
- Lease details
- Licenses
- Occupancy figures
- Parent profiles

And where applicable

- Motor vehicle details
- Workers compensation issues

PPB subsequently provided the following further information to short-listed non-binding bidders:

- Occupancy update
- CCB payment breakdown

And where applicable

- A bidder guidance note
- Bank guarantee requirements
- Lease assignment deeds
- Deed of variation of lease
- Employee training information