Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Question

BER - incomplete P21 construction projects

Senator MASON: Are there any round 1 Primary Schools for the 21st Century construction projects that remain uncompleted? Ms Smith: Yes. Of the 31, there are five that are from round 1, nine from round 2 and 17 from round 3. You will recall that there were some additional projects made by agreement between Minister Piccoli and Minister Shorten in August last year, so the bulk of those in that larger number are those projects that have been reconfigured. Essentially, even some of those that were agreed in August last year may have been round 1 projects. I think there was one. It depended on when that school originally had a project. Senator MASON: How many were there in the Piccoli-Shorten arrangement? Ms Smith: There were 19. Senator MASON: And what rounds do they come from? Principally round 3, I suppose. Ms Smith: I do not believe I have that on me for the particular 19, but I do know they were spread through rounds 1, 2 and 3. Senator MASON: Can you take that on notice? Ms Smith: Yes.

Answer

As at 29 May 2013 there were 19 *Primary Schools for the 21st Century* (P21) enhancement projects yet to complete in NSW government schools. Of the 19 projects, 18 are in Schools for Specific Purposes¹ (SSPs) and one is being undertaken on behalf of an SSP. The projects are from the following rounds:

- Round 1 1 project;
- Round 2 7 projects; and
- Round 3 11 projects.

¹ Schools for Specific Purposes are for students from pre-school to Year 12 who require intensive levels of support. Source: www.schools.nsw.edu.au