

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO**

**Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013**

**Question:** E13- 024

**OUTCOME 4:** Aged Care and Population Ageing

**Topic:** ACFI Monitoring Group

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Senator Smith

**Question:**

Please provide the names and addresses of aged care homes which have formally written to the Department advising of financial difficulties arising from the new ACFI Funding arrangements.

**Answer:**

The Department of Health and Ageing has received a large amount of correspondence (439 letters) from aged care providers and consumers commenting on the changes to the Aged Care Funding Instrument introduced in 2012-13.

The majority of letters from aged care services provide their reaction to the 2012-13 changes but do not necessarily include reference to any specific financial difficulties. Due to resource constraints, the Department is unable to separately identify services which may be experiencing financial difficulties.