Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO 2014 - 2015 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome: National Disability Insurance Agency Question No: NDIA SQ15-000004

Topic: Sector Development Funding Arrangements and Guidelines

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Senator McLUCAS: Can I receive, on notice, details of the grants that have been—to use Ms Hand's term—hard agreed, where contracts have been either drawn up or signed, so that we can see what has been provided, and the amount and the purpose of the funding as well. Guidelines were established for the expenditure of that fund; that is my recollection as well. What is the department proposing for guidelines for the use of that money?

Answer:

- 1. Refer to the response to National Disability Insurance Agency Question No. SQ15-000006.
- 2. The Department of Social Services is currently revising the Sector Development Fund Strategy to align with the outcomes detailed in the Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements (PAES) 2014-15 for Program 5.2. The draft Sector Development Fund Strategy will then be provided to the Assistant Minister for Social Services for his consideration.