Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 7 Question No: 274

Topic: NT Tenancy Agreements **Hansard Page:** 22/10/10 – CA56

Senator Scullion asked:

Provide a fresh, unfilled copy of the tenancy agreement the NT Government is using right across the territory.

Answer:

There are three versions of the tenancy agreement which is used for the public houses in the Northern Territory remote communities. They are consistent and reference the same tenancy rules but reflect the different landlords and land tenure arrangements.

Attachment A – $Panel\ Form\ R1$ – $Chief\ Executive\ Officer\ (Housing)$. This form is used where the Northern Territory Government's Chief Executive Officer (Housing) is the landlord.

Attachment B – *Panel Form R1* – *Executive Director Township Leasing*. This form is used where there is a whole of township lease and the Northern Territory Chief Executive Officer (Housing) represents the Executive Director Township Leasing as the landlord.

Attachment C – Panel Form R1 – Ags31. This form is used where there is a Section 31 lease under the Northern Territory National Emergency Response Act (2007) and the Commonwealth stands in place of the landlord under the five year lease.

The Tenancy Rules which are referred to in the tenancy agreements are provided at **Attachment D**. The Tenancy Rules Information Document which accompanies the Tenancy Rules is provided at **Attachment E**. These documents have also been further developed into Talking Books for tenants in sixteen Indigenous languages.