Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 10: Health System Capacity and Quality

Topic: HEALTH AND HOSPITAL FUND (HHF) FUNDING ROUNDS

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

- a) When did the department write to the unsuccessful applicants and offer the opportunity to give them feedback?
- b) When was the feedback given?
- c) Was the feedback provided verbally or in writing?

Answer:

a) The Department wrote to all unsuccessful applicants in Round 1 on 2 June 2009 advising of the outcome and offering an opportunity for feedback. Unsuccessful applicants under Round 2 were advised of the outcome on 8 April 2010 and were invited to seek feedback.

b and c)

Under Round 1, only one unsuccessful applicant sought feedback. Feedback was requested in June 2009 and provided in writing in August 2009.

At the request of some unsuccessful applicants under Round 2, the Department provided feedback during May and June 2010. The Department provided verbal feedback via face-to-face meetings, teleconferences and in writing as requested by the applicants. Nine applicants received feedback from the Department (two via a face-to-face meeting, four via teleconference and three in writing).