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QUESTION ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018

Outcome: Skills and Training

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MAX or Navitas

Question

Mr Morling: The AMEP is a single region provider program, apart from one trial region, which is in Sydney's south-west. The SEE program is a multi-provider program, but most regions would have only two providers. I will have to take on notice how it is actually done to get that right for you.

Senator CAMERON: Okay. Could you provide the committee with the value of the contract for the whole contract period that will be delivered by MAX or Navitas in each region where they are set to operate.

Mr Morling: Per region?

Senator CAMERON: Yes.

Mr Morling: Sure. I will take that on notice. The figures I just gave you were for the contract period.

Answer

Multi provider regions

From 1 July 2017 AMEP will trial a multi-provider model in the Sydney South West contract region, which will be serviced by two service providers. The trial will determine if improved service delivery and client outcomes are achieved in a multi-provider market. The AMEP is a demand driven program and expects service providers to promote AMEP to attract clients.

The SEE program operates a multi-provider model with multiple providers operating in some regions, particularly metropolitan regions. The decision on whether a region should be a multi-provider region is based on historical experience of demand for places, site location and the overall budget allocation for the program. The notional budget is reviewed at least twice a year to reallocate funding between regions and providers should patterns of demand change.

Contract value

The estimated value of the contract to be provided to both MAX Solutions and Navitas is shown in the table below. These values are reported on AustTender.

Provider	AMEP	SEE
	1 July 2017 to 30 June 2020 (GST exclusive)	1 July 2017 to 30 June 2020 (GST exclusive)
	\$m	\$m
MAX Solutions	-	27.4
Navitas English	76.3	24.6