

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000624

Senator Cameron, Doug asked on 31 May 2017, Proof Hansard page 100

Navitas and MAX Solutions

Question

Senator CAMERON: That is not what I am asking you. I am asking you—in terms of capacity, capability, innovation and value for money—if the judgement was made that MAX Solutions could deliver better than TAFE Illawarra?

Mr Morling: That tender was preferred in those regions.

Senator CAMERON: What was the reasoning behind that in each of those areas?

Mr Morling: I would have to take that on notice. I could not give you specific reasons.

Senator CAMERON: Have premises been secured by Navitas or MAX Solutions for the Hunter, Illawarra South Coast and Far Coast deliveries?

Mr Morling: Again, I would have to take that on notice. Sites would have been part of their tender documentation.

Answer

The Adult Migrant English Program (AMEP) and Skills for Education and Employment (SEE) Request for Tender process was managed in accordance with Commonwealth procurement Rules to ensure equal opportunities were provided to all participants throughout the process.

Each tender submission was assessed by a departmental panel that considered technical capability, capacity to deliver, innovation, risk and value for money.

Tender assessments are commercial in confidence, refer SQ17-000622.

Yes, MAX Solutions and Navitas English Pty Ltd have secured premises in the Hunter and Illawarra regions and these sites are now operational.