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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

Low Socio-economic Status School Communities National Partnership

In relation to the Low Socio-economic Status School Communities National Partnership:

- Does the NPP end for some schools from 2014 in jurisdictions that have not signed up to the NERA?
- Can the Department provide a list of each school in Queensland, the Northern Territory and Western Australia that is benefiting from this partnership, and the year that funding under the partnership is due to cease for each school?

Answer

The Low SES School Communities National Partnership (Low SES NP) will cease in all states and territories as of 31 December 2013. Low SES NP funding forms part of the base in the new funding arrangements and will be available for distribution to schools according to need as determined by the relevant education authorities.

Education authorities identified the schools that would participate in the National Partnership with implementation phased in progressively from 2009. Lists of participating schools for Western Australia, Northern Territory and Queensland can be located as follows:

Northern Territory Low SES NP schools list:

<http://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/schoolslistnt.pdf>

Queensland Low SES NP schools list:

<http://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/schoolslistqld.pdf>

Western Australia Low SES NP schools list:

<http://docs.education.gov.au/system/files/doc/other/schoolslistwa.pdf>

Details of school participation, including the duration of funding and timeframes for implementation, were negotiated between the relevant education authorities and school communities.