Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells provided in writing.

Question

CCGT correspondence

Why did the CCGT receive correspondence from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) in April 2011 advising it that the grant was now available and that it needed to apply under the Community Infrastructure Grants – Youth Commitments program?

Answer

There is no record of formal correspondence between the Department of Education Employment and Workplace Relations and Central Coast Group Training in April 2011 advising that the grant was available and that Central Coast Group Training needed to apply for the Program.

On 8 July 2011, all Community Infrastructure Grants – Youth Commitments Program proponents were informed that to receive funding under the grant program, proponents were required to provide a comprehensive application. This is consistent with standard government procedures meeting the requirements of the *Financial Management Act 1997* and the Commonwealth Grant Guidelines. The application required budgets, timelines, governance arrangements and risk management plans to be submitted.