## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

## Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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**Senator: Cormann** 

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## **Question:**

**Senator CORMANN:** Sure, so the cash shortfall is \$262 million; the accrual shortfall is \$150 million, I assume. Does that mean there is a slippage in cash receipts that then will be allocated against 2012-13 instead—the \$112 million?

**Mr Martine:** It probably depends a bit on the causes of the difference in the two numbers in terms of recognition—whether something is slipping or not. We do need to take that on notice.

**Senator CORMANN:** Could you take on notice what has caused that. I would be interested whether that is something that happens on a routine basis or whether that is unusual.

## **Answer:**

Please see the response to question number F23 taken on notice at October Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012.