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Ms Clair Silva
Committee Clerk
Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations
Legislative Council
Parliament House
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Dear Ms Silva

RE: INQUIRY INTO THE GOVERNMENT'S LOCAL PROJECTS LOCAL JOBS PROGRAM

I refer to a letter dated 18 June 2019 from Mr Grant Hitchcock, Advisory Officer (Procedure) Standing Committee on Estimates and Financial Operations from the Legislative Council Western Australia, seeking advice on how election commitments made by incoming or returning governments are administered in the Northern Territory.

Election Commitments made by an incoming or returning Government are collated by government departments through the monitoring of media releases, announcements made by candidates and the costings document provided to the Department of Treasury and Finance. Once the 'new' Government has formed, Cabinet is provided with a full set of Election Commitments for their approval, which includes the allocation of agency/ies responsible for the implementation of the commitment and any recommended funding.

Once Cabinet has approved the election commitments, and any associated funding, agencies are advised and the election commitments are added to a tracking database.

Where appropriate, grant funding will be provided to non-government organisations who may be required to implement an election commitment. These grants will be administered and monitored by the responsible agency in accordance with an overarching grant funding agreement.

Other mechanisms used to facilitate election commitments include the allocation of resources (staffing and/or funding) to agencies for new or expanded programs and funding for new Capital Works projects as required.

My department's Secretariat unit administers the Election Commitments database which registers the Cabinet approved Election Commitments. Agencies are required to provide progress reports on the implementation of Election Commitments every quarter.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me on (08) 8999 6172.

Yours sincerely



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