


## Request for Costing an Election Commitment

<b>Name of election commitment:</b>	<i>Industry education to assist the transition to more energy efficient construction</i>
Person and party requesting costing:	Meredith Hunter, ACT Greens Parliamentary Leader
Date of public release of election commitment, including source:	19 September 2012, <a href="http://act.greens.org.au/sites/greens.org.au/files/Planning.pdf">http://act.greens.org.au/sites/greens.org.au/files/Planning.pdf</a> (page 3)
Summary of election commitment:	Grants and programs for building and construction industry education to assist the transition to more energy efficient construction.
Intention of election commitment:	Assist the building and construction industry to keep informed of energy efficient building practice.
Signature of person requesting costing:	
Date of request for costing:	9/10/12

**What are the key assumptions that have been made in the election commitment?**

**Note:** that where the request to cost an election commitment differs from the public announcement, the costing will be on the basis of information provided in the costing request.  
**Note:** it will be up to the professional judgment of the Director-General as to whether these assumptions are adopted in the costing of the election commitment.

**Where relevant, is the funding for the policy to be demand driven or a capped amount?**

The amount is capped at \$366,000.

**Will third parties, for instance the Commonwealth or other State/Territories, have a role in funding or delivering the election commitment?**

The grants program will provide funds to third parties to deliver against the desired outcomes of the initiative.

**Will funding/the cost require indexation?**

No, the funding is capped at \$366,000 over three years.

What are the estimated revenue and operating costs each year (if available) and what are the capital requirements for this election commitment and estimated costs each year (if available)?

	2012-13 \$'000	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	Total \$'000
Revenue <sup>(a)</sup>						
Expenses <sup>(a)</sup>		-133	-133	-100		-366
Capital						

(a) A negative number indicates a decrease in revenue or an increase in expenses.

**What is the likely take up?**

N/A

**Any other assumptions?**

- The funding may be used in a variety of ways depending on the initiatives that come from the sector.
- The funding is fixed and it will be the responsibility of the directorate to ensure that the program is delivered within the allocated funding.

*Administration of the election commitment*

**How will the election commitment be administered?**

Based on ESDD (ACTPLA) data from inspections and certifier reports and consultation with industry associations the areas of need for education would be identified. The grants program would be designed to meet the areas of need allowing also for some general material.

**Who will administer the election commitment?**

ESDD (ACTPLA) is the agency most involved with the industry although there might be other parts of the agency (or even other agencies) also able to run the grants program with ESDD input.

**Has an allowance been made for expenses necessary to support the implementation of this election commitment?**

- If no, will the government agency be expected to absorb expenses associated with this election commitment? The agency ESDD (ACTPLA) is expected to provide data from inspections and certifier reports to establish areas of need. The grants program would be run within the resources allocated.
- If yes, please specify the key assumptions.

Some expenses are expected to be absorbed by the directorate however the funding provided is intended to cover the additional expenses associated with the program.

**What is the intended implementation date of the election commitment?**

Work would commence in 2013-14 and be concluded by the end of 2015-16.

**Are there transitional arrangements associated with election commitment implementation?**

No.

**Are there any other assumptions that need to be considered?**

No.

**When is the election commitment expected to be fully operational?**

It is expected that total quantum of the program of \$366,000 grants will be spent over the three years 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16.

**Will the election commitment cease and if so when?**

The program will be concluded by the end of 2015-16.