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**Attention: Jasen Burgess**

Dear Mr Burgess

### **Inquiry into 2008 Local Government Elections**

Thank you for the opportunity of proof reading the transcript of the oral evidence given before the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters on Thursday, 27 August 2009. I advise that that I have no amendments to make to the transcript provided.

The question taken on notice regarding a breakdown for the cost to Gosford City Council for the 2008 local government elections is answered below:

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>\$ AMOUNT (excl GST)</b>
Printing and Stationery	1127.27
Advertising	2304.57
Seminars	784.32
*Electoral Commission	*600,900.00

\*The Electoral Commission provided the following breakdown of expenses for Gosford City Council:

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>\$ AMOUNT (excl GST)</b>
<b>Local Government Elections Program Management</b>	
Project Management	4,240
Performance Evaluation & Reporting, Candidate Support, Legal	7,600
NSWEC Administration Fee	60,920
Program Management Total	<b>72,760</b>
<b>Finance Services</b>	
Budget Management	640
Payroll Processing	7,830

Payables Processing	2,470
Mail Services	<u>3,170</u>
Finance Services Total	<b>14,110</b>
<b>Election Services</b>	
Council Visits	810
Candidate Info Sessions	1,960
De-brief Program for Returning Officers	240
Centralised Vote Counting	24,610
Voting Centres (incl pre-poll, DIs and polling places)	26,660
Election materials	43,260
Training Program	7,470
Returning Officer Support Centre	6,920
Wages - Returning Officers	29,310
Wages - Office Assistants	58,730
Wages - Election Officials	122,580
Returning Officer Accommodation	37,420
Registration of How-to-Vote Material	120
Printing Ballot Papers	<u>57,700</u>
Election Services Total	<b>417,790</b>
<b>Election Information Services</b>	
Equal Access to Democracy	3,710
Elector Info Campaign - NSWEC Campaign	18,900
Elector Information Info Kit	2,270
Elector Enquiry Centre	8,570
Website & Education Services	<u>6,350</u>
Election Information Services Total	<b>39,800</b>
<b>Information Technology</b>	
Systems Support	11,300
IT Setup	24,600
Website (dynamic)	2,220
Rolls	9,730
IT Personnel	5,170
Results	<u>3,390</u>
Information Technology Total	<b>56,410</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>600,900</b>

Yours sincerely

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