PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE NO 2

INQUIRY INTO ROAD TOLLING

Questions on Notice: Mr Simon Draper, Department of Premier and Cabinet

Answers are to be returned to the Committee secretariat by Wednesday 21 June 2017.

QUESTION 1

Dr MEHREEN FARUQI: You probably know that we recently learnt that NorthConnex will receive financial compensation from the Government if a certain percentage of heavy vehicles—we do not know what that percentage is—continue to use Pennant Hills Road or other roads rather than the NorthConnex. Could you tell us what that percentage is?

The percentage is Commercial in Confidence.

QUESTION 2

Dr MEHREEN FARUQI: Can you take on notice how much compensation might be paid per truck?

The specific compensation calculations are Commercial in Confidence.

QUESTION 3

Dr MEHREEN FARUQI: It is not necessarily IPART. The IPART is one suggestion but the other suggestion is an independent regulator that may not be IPART but somebody who oversees the contracts and can look at transparency aspects and report to the public?

Mr DRAPER: We have not considered that. I am happy to take that on notice. It may be helpful to understand more specifically what type of regulator might be envisaged.

The Auditor-General of NSW can provide an independent view on contracts entered into by the Government. Performance audits review whether taxpayers' money is spent efficiently, effectively, economically and in accordance with the law.

The Auditor-General recently tabled a Performance Audit report on NorthConnex. It found that the processes used to assess NorthConnex adequately considered value for money for tax payers and road users. It also found that the NorthConnex agreement represented value for money for the NSW Government.

QUESTION 3

The Hon. Dr PETER PHELPS: On that point, would you be able to take on notice what those nine proposals were that have been approved?

Nine proposals have proceeded to Stage 2 of the assessment process, seven have proceeded to Stage 3 and five have been completed.

No.	Project Name	Proponent Name	Details	Stage and Status
1.	Sydney Metro City & Southwest, Martin Place Station	Macquarie Group Limited	Proposal to deliver a single fully integrated station/over station development solution for the new Sydney Metro Martin Place Station.	Stage 3 Current
2.	Macquarie Square	AMP Capital and Macquarie University	New transport interchange and town centre at Macquarie Park (Herring Rd).	The proposal did not proceed past Stage 2 of the process.
3.	Partial long term lease of Ausgrid.	IFM Investors Pty Ltd and AustralianSuper Pty Ltd	Proposal for the partial long term lease of Ausgrid.	Stage 3 Completed
4.	Wynyard Place	Brookfield Office Properties Australia Pty Ltd	Proposal for a grand transit hall and public concourse at Wynyard Station together with a new entrance from George Street.	Stage 3 Completed
5.	NorthConnex	Transurban	Proposal to construct a tunnel link between the M1 and M2 motorways.	Stage 3 Completed
6.	Crown Sydney Resort	Crown Limited	Proposal to acquire a restricted gaming facility licence at Barangaroo South and develop Sydney's first 6-star hotel.	Stage 3 Completed
7.	The Star	Echo Entertainment Group	Proposal to extend The Star's exclusivity arrangement post 2019.	The proposal did not proceed past Stage 2 of the process.
8.	Acquisition of Queen Mary Building	University of Sydney	Proposal to acquire the Queen Mary Building at Camperdown to be used for affordable student accommodation.	Stage 3 Completed
9.	Acquisition of surplus lands	University of Western Sydney	Proposal to acquire surplus government lands at Rydalmere for	Stage 3 Proposal was

	higher education purposes.	withdrawn by the proponent.
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