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**Inquiry into Appropriation Bill 2023-2024 (No 2) and
Appropriation (Office of the Legislative Assembly) Bill 2023-2024 (No 2)**
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Elizabeth Lee MLA:

Ref: Budget Review 2023-24, Page 104

In relation to: Infrastructure Program

1. Provide a detailed description of what the Central Capital Provisions line is?
2. Provide an explanation why this is no longer broke down by early planning, design, construction etc...
3. For the 12 projects listed by category as "Central Capital Provision" can you provide a detailed explanation of what each line item is funding

Yvette Berry MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

1. As outlined on page 263 of the 2023-24 Budget Outlook, central capital provisions set aside funding for significant capital works projects for which budgets or other details are yet to be settled, or which are commercially sensitive. Provisioned funding is allocated once conditions are met, generally as a result of the approval of business cases, provision of other information, or following the conclusion of tender processes in the case of commercial sensitivities. Central capital provisions also include the General Works Provision, which provides unallocated funding for future works, and the Market Conditions Provision (MCP), which provides capacity to support the delivery of the Territory's infrastructure priorities, should cost escalation pressures prevail.
2. Central capital provisions are no longer broken down to this level as many projects are centrally provisioned because they have budgets or other details that are yet to be settled. Cost breakdowns are therefore less certain for these types of projects and cannot be disaggregated. In addition, breakdowns are not relevant for certain provisions such as the Market Conditions Provision, which is intended to address any emerging cost pressures.
3. Central provisions have been categorised by type and wellbeing category in the Infrastructure Program Database, which results in 12 groupings. Provisioned funding for individual projects is disclosed (where appropriate) in initiative descriptions in Budget Outlook but commercially sensitive provisions are not disclosed.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

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By the Acting Treasurer, Yvette Berry MLA