

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Minister for Local Government and Regions:

Local Government

1. Please provide a copy of the MOU recently agreed with the Local Government Association for the transfer of Department of Local Government functions.

Answer: There is currently no MOU agreed with the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT) for the transfer of Department of Local Government and Regions functions. The Department of Local Government and Regions continues to work with LGANT to reach an agreement that is in keeping with the Statement of Intent.

Please refer to the text from this statement of intent on the following page. This document was signed by Minister Tollner and Mr Damien Ryan on 3 April 2014.



Towards Greater Self-Management

STATEMENT OF INTENT BETWEEN MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONS & LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

The Northern Territory Government, as part of its commitment to give communities a greater voice in local government, will pursue opportunities to expand the role of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory (LGANT).

Such an expanded role should involve the transferring of functions, resources and responsibility to LGANT to enable the Local Government sector to self-manage their functions. This will give Local Government an enhanced role in relation to building capacity, supporting councils and encouraging continual improvement and development of councils.

To this end, the Government will negotiate with LGANT to identify functions and appropriate funding that could be transferred to LGANT through a service delivery agreement.

The Local Government Association of the Northern Territory welcomes the Government's intention to transfer some of the functions currently performed by the Department of Local Government and Regions to LGANT and stands ready to enter into negotiations regarding those functions and transfer arrangements.

HON DAVID TOLLNER MLA
Minister for Local Government
and Regions

DAMIEN RYAN
Chairman, Local Government
Association of the
Northern Territory

Date:

Date:

2. Please provide details of Local Government Special Purpose Grants for 2013-14 including grants applied for, as well as, successful grant applications detailing the applicant, value and purpose of each grant application and each approved grant.

Answer: Refer page 3

ORGANISATIONS	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGIONS - LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS PROGRAM - ACTUAL GRANT EXPENDITURE UPTO 30 MARCH 2014														
	GENERAL PURPOSE & ROADS (FAA)	NT OPERATIONAL	RESERVES AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS OPERATIONAL FUNDING	INDIGENOUS JOBS PROGRAM & LOCAL AREA TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT	WORKPLACE MENTORING	SPECIAL PURPOSE GRANTS	FAMILY SAFE ENVIRONMENT FUND	CLOSING THE GAP	COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FUNDING	LOCAL AUTHORITY ESTABLISHMENT FUND	REGIONAL COUNCIL RE-BRANDING	WEST DAILY REGIONAL COUNCIL ESTABLISHMENT	NATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF & RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS	AG-SWIMMING POOLS IN REMOTE COMMUNITIES FUNDIN	TOTAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING
Darwin Region															
City of Darwin	1,256,283														1,256,283
City of Palmerston	526,818						14,700								541,518
Litchfield Council	1,158,813					81,000									1,239,813
Coomalie Community Government Council	152,661	213,046				263,900									629,607
Belyuen Community Government council	22,965	21,669		9,468		34,565		74,249							162,916
Wagait Shire Council	23,544	71,442													94,986
Local Government Association of the NT	516,390								62,032						578,422
CouncilBiz															0
Robbie Robbins Reserve			54,375												54,375
Yilli Rreung Housing Aboriginal Corporation			50,000												50,000
Australia Day Council			3,000												3,000
TOTAL DARWIN REGION	3,657,474	306,157	107,375	9,468	0	379,465	14,700	74,249	62,032	0	0	0	0	0	4,610,920
Arafura Region															
Tiwi Islands Regional Council	493,641	652,378		451,958	132,000			42,082		30,000	100,720				1,902,779
West Arnhem Regional Council	844,260	1,830,932		603,729	132,000	51,407		293,000	100,000	40,000	112,640				4,007,968
Jabiru Town Development Association			65,250												65,250
TOTAL ARAFURA REGION	1,337,901	2,483,310	65,250	1,055,687	264,000	51,407	0	335,082	100,000	70,000	213,360	0	0	0	5,975,997
Big Rivers Region															
Katherine Town Council	367,014		162,120			40,000									569,134
Roper Gulf Regional Council	970,002	2,094,820	10,922	1,270,471	254,000	154,050		236,575		100,000	199,680				5,290,520
Victoria Daly Regional council	941,649	1,876,930		1,096,451	254,000	60,000		28,960	150,000	80,000	173,280	68,565			4,729,835
Daly Water Progress Association			6,496												6,496
Thamarrurr development Corporation						0									0
TOTAL BIG RIVERS REGION	2,278,665	3,971,750	179,538	2,366,922	508,000	254,050	0	265,535	150,000	180,000	372,960	68,565	0	0	10,595,985
Barkly Region															
Barkly Regional Council	788,208	2,142,598		756,204	132,000	117,936		165,000		70,000	153,120				4,325,066
TOTAL BARKLY REGION	788,208	2,142,598	0	756,204	132,000	117,936	0	165,000	0	70,000	153,120	0	0	0	4,325,066
Central Australian Region															
Alice Springs Town Council	636,786					70,000									706,786
Central Desert Regional council	740,124	1,153,145		550,270	193,000	225,149		461,985	103,280	90,000	184,480				3,701,433
MacDonnell Regional council	1,050,429	2,053,717		1,040,070	254,000	385,600		213,885	123,550	130,000	230,080			150,000	5,631,331
Blatheyskite Park Reserve			145,000												145,000
Warlpiri Youth Development Corporation						37,500								37,500	75,000
TOTAL CENTRAL AUSTRALIAN REGION	2,427,339	3,206,862	145,000	1,590,340	447,000	718,249	0	675,870	226,830	220,000	414,560	0	0	187,500	10,259,550
East Arnhem Region															
East Arnhem Regional Council	1,694,487	3,261,870		1,025,442	315,000	90,338				90,000	180,320		44830.4		6,702,287
Nhulunbuy Public Cemetery trust			10000												10,000
TOTAL EAST ARNHEM REGION	1,694,487	3,261,870	10,000	1,025,442	315,000	90,338	0	0	0	90,000	180,320	0	44,830	0	6,712,287
GRAND TOTAL	12,184,074	15,372,547	507,163	6,804,062	1,666,000	1,611,445	14,700	1,515,736	538,862	630,000	1,334,320	68,565	44,830	187,500	42,479,804

3. In 2013-14 and 2014-15, what is the estimated total revenue to the Power and Water Corporation for the sale of:
- a) water
 - b) sewerage
 - c) electricity?

Answer: This question relates to Power and Water Corporation and has been answered as part of Written Question no. 205, question 9.

4. In 2013-14 and 2014-15, what is the estimated total revenue from the sale of electricity to:
- a) consumers regulated by pricing orders
 - b) former T1 consumers
 - c) former T2 consumers
 - d) former T3 consumers
 - e) former T4 consumers?

Answer: This question relates to Power and Water Corporation and has been answered as part of Written Question no. 205, question 10.