

FUNDING ALLOCATION — COMMENTS BY MINISTER FOR EDUCATION

108. Hon SHELLEY EATON to the minister representing the Minister for Education:

Will the minister confirm her comments on ABC North West WA regional radio today that the funds allocated for the upgrades and maintenance of Western Australian schools and the Investing in Schools program outlined in the Liberal Party's pre-election platform are new and additional moneys allocated over and above the existing funds of \$349 million in the forward estimates for school upgrades and maintenance?

Hon PETER COLLIER replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question, and I provide the following response on behalf of the Minister for Education.

The \$300 million over six years for new schools and the \$50 million over four years for upgrades are additional to the funds for those projects identified and announced in the forward estimates.