

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, BAD DEBTS

2027. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister representing the Minister for Housing and Works; Land Information

- (1) What was the amount of bad debts written off for each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio since 19 February 2001?
- (2) Were any of these debts above \$10,000 and if so, what is the name of the person or company who owed the debt?

Ms A.J. MacTIERNAN replied:

HOUSING AND WORKS

- (1) The State Housing Commission, which is a Public Non Financial – Corporation, has written off \$7.408 M of debt since 19 February 2000. The majority of this debt relates to rental tenants and internal home loans. Rental debt written off represented approximately 1.5% of total rental debt raised over that period. Internal home loan debt written off was approximately 0.2% of the total home loan portfolio.
- (2) There were 71 cases where debt over \$10,000 was written off. The shortfalls are for individual clients and relate to home loan forfeited properties (73%) and for vacated rental properties (27%). The Department has a policy of not disclosing individual client debt details.

So that the information can be considered in context, over the period 16 December 1996 to the 16 February 2001, the State Housing Commission wrote off \$13.039 M of debt. The majority of this debt related to rental tenants and internal home loan forfeited properties. Rental debt written off represented approximately 1.7% of total rental debt raised over the period. Internal home loan debt written off was approximately 0.2% of the total home loan portfolio over the same period.

LAND INFORMATION

- (1) \$45,381.65
- (2) No

So that the information can be considered in context, the relevant information from 16.12.96 to 16.2.01 is :

- (1) \$93,381.17
- (2) Yes, M & V Douglas

STATE SUPPLY COMMISSION

- (1) Nil
- (2) Not applicable

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- (1) Nil
- (2) Not applicable