

**INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES PORTFOLIO**  
**Additional Estimates 2005-06**

Q No.	Senator	Agency	Hearing date	Subject	Proof Hansard Page	Date answered	Date sent to Senator	Additional Information
AI-1	Campbell	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Funding for Commercial Ready program</i></p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—Does that mean that they will not be broken down in the PBS?  <b>Mr Peel</b>—The PBS will just show the total funding for the Commercial Ready Program.  <b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—So you will not be prepared for questions about what the break-up is?  <b>Mr Peel</b>—I think at a previous estimates we did give either you or Senator Carr a breakdown of the starting position for Commercial Ready, including what funds came from R&amp;D Start and so on. We could certainly give that to you again if you would like it, but we do not keep a running track of that.</p>	E69	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-2	Campbell	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Number of employees in the Department</i></p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—You do not know how many you currently employ?  <b>Mr Paterson</b>—We can find it out from the payroll system. But do I have that number off the top of my head? No.  <b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—If you had said that to me 10 minutes ago, we could have moved on by now.  <b>Mr Mackey</b>—If the number you are looking for is the number of people we paid last fortnight, then of course we can tell you that.  <b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—That will be close enough for my purposes.  <b>Mr Paterson</b>—We will get you that answer.</p>	E71	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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AI-3	Campbell	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Number of employees engaged since 30 June 2005</i></p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—Can you also take on notice how many employees you have engaged in the department since 30 June last year, in addition to filling any vacancies that occurred? We know you had 1,912 staff at 30 June. You did not retrench anybody since then other than the transfers, I presume, or we did not hear of it. Have you taken on any additional employees outside of the graduates? I am not talking about that; I understand that program.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—Comparing 30 June to what point in time—last payday?</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—To the latest point that you can give us.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—We will be giving you on notice the total number on the payroll as at the last payday—</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—That is fine.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—so we will endeavour to make sure that the calculation we give you in terms of—</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—Up to that point?</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—You want new employees, not filling existing vacancies?</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—No, just people who have been new employees over and above the vacancies.</p>	E72	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-4	Campbell	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Definition of "grant" and "subsidy" as outlined in whole of government financial framework</i></p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—I am glad it is you who has that pleasure and not me. Can you define for me what the difference is between these subsidies that now have been classified to grants and the subsidies that are payable under ACIS?</p>	E75	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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				<p><b>Ms McCluskey</b>—I do not have the formal definition of ‘subsidies’ at my fingertips. I can come back to you on that, if you would like.</p> <p><b>Mr Peel</b>—Under the ACIS program, we do not actually give people money; we give them import credits that they can use to reduce the cost of their imports. It is not actually cash that they get under ACIS.</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—It is a subsidy; that may explain the difference.</p> <p><b>Mr Peel</b>—It may, but I am not an accountant.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—The note on page 27 with respect to TCF clearly indicates there is no reduction in the appropriation because the decrease in subsidies is matched by an increase in expenses.</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—I understand. I wondered why the term ‘expenses’ was used. It talks about going from ‘subsidies’ to ‘grants’ and then it talks about an increase in expenses. Perhaps Ms McCluskey can take that on notice and give us a detailed answer that is understandable.</p> <p><b>Ms McCluskey</b>—Certainly, I will do that.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—Could we do it on the basis that we provide that answer if it is any different from the answer Mr Peel has just given to you? I think Mr Peel has actually provided the answer to your question.</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—I would not mind also having in writing the definition of a ‘grant’ and a ‘subsidy’ in this document that Ms McCluskey referred to, just for future reference.</p>				
AI-5	Campbell	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Variations in administered receivables balance for the Innovation Investment Fund, Commercial Ready and Competitive Pre-seed Fund programs</i></p> <p><b>Mr Peel</b>—There is reference here to the Commercial Ready Program, which I think is incorrect. It should really be a reference to the R&amp;D Start program. You might recall—</p>	E76	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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				<p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—I thought that was part of the Commercial Ready Program?</p> <p><b>Mr Peel</b>—It is, but under the R&amp;D Start program you could get a loan which then becomes a receivable, something that has to be paid back to the department. Under the Commercial Ready Program, there are not any loans; there are just grants. I expect that, because we are not giving out loans anymore, that is one of the reasons that there might be a reduction in the receivables. I am sure Ms McCluskey can give you a more detailed answer than that, but I suspect that is probably a major impact on that.</p> <p><b>Ms McCluskey</b>—If you are after specifics, we would have to talk about the specific program item that makes up those receivable balances.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—We will give that to you on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—I thought they were outlined there, Ms McCluskey. I just outlined them: IIF Fund, Commercial Ready Program and Competitive Pre-Seed.</p> <p><b>Ms McCluskey</b>—That is correct, but the reasons for the movement may vary between programs.</p> <p><b>Senator GEORGE CAMPBELL</b>—Can you look at them specifically and give an answer?</p>				
AI-6	O'Brien	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Australian participation in North West Shelf and Darwin LNG projects</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Given that an objective of the LNG Action Agenda is to maximise Australian participation in LNG projects, what proportion of the North West Shelf and Darwin LNG plants' construction was undertaken by Australian residents?</p> <p><b>Mr Hartwell</b>—I do not have those precise figures with me, but I will take that on notice and provide you with them.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—What proportion of those plants' operations are undertaken by resident Australians?</p>	E83	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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				<p><b>Mr Hartwell</b>—Again I would take that question on notice. They are specific aspects of those operations that I would need to check with the operators themselves.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—What proportion of the North West Shelf LNG transportation is undertaken by resident Australians.</p> <p><b>Mr Hartwell</b>—You are specifically talking about the shipping aspect of LNG there?</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Mr Hartwell</b>—They are subject to commercial negotiations, often between the LNG supplier and the LNG buyer. There are different aspects to that depending on the project involved. Again, I would have to take that on notice. They are very specific questions going to the specific projects.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Could you give me that information and the same in relation to the Darwin LNG transportation?</p> <p><b>Mr Hartwell</b>—Certainly, to the extent that we are able.</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—Senator, I make the point that the nature of the questions that you are raising seeks material that would not be available to the department. We would not have the information that would enable us to answer those questions.</p> <p>...</p> <p><b>Mr Paterson</b>—To short circuit this, can I commit to you that we will provide to you the information that is public that has been provided to us that would fall within those four specific questions? What I am saying to you is that I do not believe that we can answer the questions that you have asked in detail, but I can commit that we will provide to you the information in respect of each of those areas that has been publicly provided to us.</p>	E85			
AI-7	O'Brien	ITR	16/2/06	<i>Proportion of vehicle fuel market gained by ethanol-blend petrol</i>	E95	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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				<p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Do you know what proportion of the vehicle fuel market has been gained by ethanol blend petrol?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne</b>—I could do that calculation for you, but I just do not have that figure with me at the moment.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—The question that I was leading to is what sort of penetration has to be achieved for 350 million litres—do you know?</p> <p><b>Mr Payne</b>—No. Off the top of my head I do not, but you are looking out to 2010, as you know.</p>				
AI-8	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Events Australia promotional material</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Are we able to see a hard copy of some your promotional material, to the extent that it is in English?</p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—Destination supplements and those sorts of things?</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Yes.</p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—Yes, happy to. They are publicly available.</p>	E97	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-9	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - domestic tourism advertising campaign</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Did you ask the question: how many people actually decided to take a holiday? When you said these people said it made them think about taking a holiday, I am just wondering, did you ask the question?</p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—I would have a percentage on that. I do not have it in front of me, but they are the key figures that related to the objectives of the campaign. The campaign was not designed to get people to book their holiday that second, because it was feeding in to work which particularly the states and the territories were doing. As I said, 44 per cent were in the zone of getting them to think about Australia and 40 per cent said it helped them to decide to take their next holiday break in Australia. So we were pleased with those results.</p>	E99	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	

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AI-10	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - domestic tourism advertising campaign</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—What proportion of the Australian market was your target?  <b>Mr Morrison</b>—I have to get the specifics for you. I do not have it in front of me, but I am happy to provide what the target was. I think it was around a million Australians we were talking to basically, who spend around \$5 billion on travel. They are the figures I recall.</p>	E99	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-11	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - domestic tourism advertising campaign</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Have you got a formal report evaluating the advertising campaign?  <b>Mr Morrison</b>—We have an internal report, yes, which is provided to our board.  <b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Is there any reason that that cannot be shared with the committee?  <b>Mr Morrison</b>—I will take that on notice.</p>	E99	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-12	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - proportion of marketing budget allocated to trade marketing</i></p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—Yes. It is part of the familiarisation program. We often bring travel agents to Australia and conduct familiarisations. That is done often with the states and with the Australian industry, as we do with journalists and a whole range of others.  <b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—What part of your budget would be applied to that?  <b>Mr Morrison</b>—That is our marketing budget. It is part of our consumer marketing activities.  <b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—How much of it?</p>	E101	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	

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				<b>Mr Morrison</b> —We will take that on notice. It is what we call ‘trade marketing’.				
AI-13	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - Aussie Specialist program and Aussie Enthusiast program</i></p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—We have another program called the Aussie Enthusiast program, which is another less intensive aspect of that program. We work on the Aussie Enthusiast program with Austrade, particularly in places where as yet we do not have a presence. It follows a similar type of model. It is just not as intensive. That provides us with a point of contact with agents in places like Russia, through the Gulf countries and so on. It is a key part of our focus for India moving forward as well.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—Can you detail the countries where you have each of those two programs working?</p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—Yes, we can. I will take it on notice.</p>	E101	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-14	O'Brien	Tourism Australia	16/2/06	<p><i>Tourism Australia - expenditure on Australian Tourism Development program</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—So the rest was Tourism Australia, was it?</p> <p><b>Mr Noonan</b>—That is right.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—We have done part of this. Mr Morrison or Mr Hopwood, can you help us?</p> <p><b>Mr Morrison</b>—I cannot right now, because my colleague has left with that information. But I am happy to provide that on notice.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—I am happy if you can do that.</p>	E105	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-15	O'Brien	ITR	16/2/06	<p><i>Grant to Logan's Beach Resort under Australian Tourism Development program</i></p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—What is a medispa service?</p>	E107	16/5/2006	16/5/2006	



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				<p><b>Mr Peel</b>—I have to check the details. I have not had one myself.</p> <p><b>Senator O'BRIEN</b>—I can confirm that I have not either. But if what has been funded is something to do with a plastic surgery unit I would just like to know if that would be—</p> <p><b>Mr Peel</b>—We will check whether any of it has gone to the plastic surgery unit. I would be surprised if that was the case. The description I wrote out was the 'enhancement of an existing resort'. It may well be that within the resort there is a plastic surgeon, but I would be very surprised if any money went to the plastic surgeon.</p>				

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<b>Regional Tourism Program</b>						
AI-16	McLucas	ITR	Regarding the \$90,000 grant made under the Regional Tourism Program to GG & HR Kuhn, trading as Mowbray Falls Enviropark, has the grant been drawn down?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-17	McLucas	ITR	Has the grant been applied to the project?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-18	McLucas	ITR	What is the status of the project – has it begun, is it partly completed, or has it been completed?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-19	McLucas	ITR	Under the funding agreement, is there any timeline for the start and completion of the project?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-20	McLucas	ITR	Has the grant been acquitted?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-21	McLucas	ITR	What is the acquittal level and process for this grant, and when is acquittal due under the funding agreement?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	

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AI-22	McLucas	ITR	Who recommended the grant, and who approved it?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-23	McLucas	ITR	Were there any letters of support for the grant, and if so who wrote those letters, and to whom?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
<b>USFTA and exports</b>						
AI-24	Campbell	ITR	Is the Department aware of any significant shifts in trade balance between the USA and Australia since the implementation of the USFTA? In particular, is the Department aware of sectors that are particularly affected by either rising imports or falling export revenues?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Skills development</b>						
AI-25	Campbell		Can the Department please describe exactly what the phrase “increase industry influence over the skills formation process” (as stated as one of the strategic priorities in the strategic review) is intended to mean?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-26	Campbell		What is the Department’s current understanding of the skills issues that face business?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-27	Campbell		What work will the Department actually be engaging in with DEST and DEWR?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-28	Campbell		Has a work plan been agreed? What are its timelines?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-29	Campbell		What outcomes are expected?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Evaluation of Invest Australia</b>						
AI-30	Campbell		In the November round of Estimates, Mr Barry Jones (Exec GM of Invest Australia) indicated that Allen Consulting had completed an evaluation of Invest Australia to justify it receiving continued funding. Can you update me on the progress of this review?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-31	Campbell		What were the key findings / recommendations?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-32	Campbell		How are these findings / recommendations being implemented?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-33	Campbell		What is the timeline?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-34	Campbell		Did Allen Consulting provide implementation advice or are they assisting in their implementation of recommendations?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-35	Campbell		Will there be a budgetary impact on Invest Australia as a result of this review?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Invest Australia program audit</b>						
AI-36	Campbell		What progress has been made in this regard to tracking the progress of investments made under the Invest Australia Program?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-37	Campbell		What (if any) reporting mechanisms have been established?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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AI-38	Campbell		What is the timeline?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-39	Campbell		Have specific KPI's been established? How were these defined and by whom?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-40	Campbell		Will the findings of this audit have implications for ongoing funding provided to the client by DITR?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-41	Campbell		When will the Department be in a position to brief the Committee?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Invest Australia 2004-05 Successes - Fortescue Metals Group</b>						
AI-42	Campbell		What exact role did the Department play in this project Fortescue Metals Group Ltd. Pilbara project?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-43	Campbell		How much did the Department appropriate to this project?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-44	Campbell		Is the Department aware of Fortescue's current dispute with BHP Billiton?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-45	Campbell		What (if any) was the Department's involvement in this dispute?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>AXISS Australia</b>						
AI-46	Watson		Can you outline any successes that AXISS has had over the past 12 months or so?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-47	Watson		Does AXISS periodically review its activities and operations and if so, how does AXISS measure the effectiveness of these operations?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-48	Watson		Is there some sort of regular review of your client base to measure satisfaction with the services you provide?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-49	Watson		If so, can you provide details of any feedback you have received as a result of any such review?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-50	Watson		I note from your very informative Benchmark Report dated August 2005, that Finance and Insurance generate some 8.5% or \$62 billion of Australia's GDP, outweighing the combined contribution of Mining, Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing. How many staff or full-time staff equivalents does AXISS currently have?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-51	Watson		Given the rapid growth of this sector and level of interest in Australia as an investment destination, does AXISS have enough staffing capacity to cope with demand for services?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-52	Watson		Which areas of AXISS Australia operations are most likely to need extra resources over the next five years, if any?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Automotive Industry Strategic Group (AISG)</b>						
AI-53	Campbell		Can the Department detail the agenda and outcomes of the 9 November AISG meeting?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-54	Campbell		What is the forward agenda / timetable of the group? When is it scheduled to reconvene?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-55	Campbell		Has the AISG working group met since 24 October?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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AI-56	Campbell		What is the relationship between the working group and the AISG?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-57	Campbell		What specifically is the working group examining?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Minister Macfarlane's Trip to Detroit and Texas</b>						
AI-58	Campbell		What role did the Department have in the meetings and the preparations?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-59	Campbell		Who did the Minister meet with?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-60	Campbell		Who was present at these meetings?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-61	Campbell		What conclusions / outcomes were reached?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-62	Campbell		(a) Can the Department confirm that an invitation was extended for parts makers to return to Detroit later this year? (b) When is this anticipated to occur? (c) What are the objectives of this return meeting?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Statements made about the automotive industry</b>						
AI-63	Campbell		Does the department agree with the following statement as quoted in a 23 January SMH report "Car parts makers face difficult future", where the Victorian Industry Minister stated that:  <i>"Quite clearly, there are going to be some significant changes that affect our parts sector,...the times when Australia produced niche cars for its niche market are starting to come to a close,"</i>	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-64	Campbell		What does the Department foresee as the 'significant changes' noting that 14,000 auto sector job losses in the past 3 years?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-65	Campbell		How does the department intend to respond to these changes?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-66	Campbell		According to a 3 February AFR report "Flying the flag for beleaguered industries", the Minister stated that GM saw scope for greater participation by Australian manufacturers in its global supply chains, opening up export opportunities for local parts makers:  <i>"They offered a road-mapping exercise which my department will work on to identify component builders in Australia who are in a position to be globally competitive and who could supply into those chains,"</i>  (a) What exactly will the road mapping exercise look like?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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			(b) Who will be involved? (c) What are its objectives? (d) How will this be achieved? (e) What are the timelines?			
AI-67	Campbell		The article also states that,  <i>“Ford also made positive noises about Australian involvement, but Macfarlane’s realistic assessment is that the company’s focus over the next 12 months will be in bedding down the restructuring of its North American operations.”</i>  (a) Despite this can the Department comment on a 23 January AAP article “Ford, Holden to maintain Aust operations” in which the Minister is quoted as saying,  <i>“We were keen to see the fallout from that not impact on the Australian operations [and] as a result of the meetings we were able to get a clear commitment from both Ford and GM to their Australian operations,”</i>  (b) What exactly did this commitment entail? (c) Was there a timeline or was it open-ended?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>House of Representatives Inquiry into Auto Components Sector</b>						
AI-68	Campbell		What will be the Departments role in the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Employment, Workplace Relations and Workforce Participation’s inquiry into ‘Employment in the Automotive Component Manufacturing Sector’?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-69	Campbell		Is the Department aware of how many submissions were received?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-70	Campbell		What consultations will take place?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-71	Campbell		Will the Inquiry co-ordinate with the road mapping exercise the Department is undertaking in the components sector as a result of the Minister’s trip to Detroit?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-72	Campbell		Is the Department aware of when the Inquiry is due to report?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>ABCB additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard</b>						
AI-73	Campbell		Has the “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard” undertaken by the	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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			Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) been completed and, if so, when was it submitted to Ministers and which Ministers and Departments?			
AI-74	Campbell		If the “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard” has not been completed, what is the nature of the work yet to be completed and when is it anticipated that it will be completed?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-75	Campbell		What is the text of any completed “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard”?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-76	Campbell		What is the cost of the “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard” and what budget item does it come under in the ABCB budget?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-77	Campbell		Who is undertaking this “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard”, including the name(s) of members of the project team(s)?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-78	Campbell		How many documents are there that set out the brief for the “additional analysis and research”, what is the document(s)’ date, and what is the character of the contents of each of the documents?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-79	Campbell		What is the full text of the brief(s) for the “additional analysis and research”?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-80	Campbell		Does the “additional analysis and research on the Premises Standard” include the costing of possibilities for alternative levels of accessibility to be included in the DDA standard (i.e. alternative possible requirements as to what has to be accessible to people with disabilities and alternative possible requirements as to the minimum standard that is to be set)?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Corroborating analysis/ study of Jaguar study for DDA RIS</b>						
AI-81	Campbell		(a) Is it the case that a further benefit-cost analysis/ study was undertaken for the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB), to corroborate the findings of the initial study for the Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) in relation to the draft Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) access to premises standard of January 2004 (i.e. a further benefit-cost analysis/ study to corroborate the findings of the initial Jaguar study for the draft DDA access to premises standard Regulatory Impact Statement)?  (b) If so, when was this corroborative benefit-cost analysis/ study put out to tender, what is the date and the text of the brief, who was commissioned to do the study, when was the study commenced and completed, and what is the text of completed study?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-82	Campbell		Has there been any work within the ABCB or sourced from outside the ABCB to corroborate	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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			the initial Jaguar study for the draft DDA access to premises standard Regulatory Impact Statement?			
<b>Meetings on the DDA Access to Premises Standard</b>						
AI-83	Campbell		Can the Department update the information provided in the answer SBI-80 and provide a record of what individuals or groups or organisations have the Attorney-General or Minister for Industry, Tourism and Resources or any other government Ministers or any of their advisers met, on what date(s) and who was present; where discussions in relation to the DDA access to premises standard took place?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Accessible housing research</b>						
AI-84	Campbell		In response to QON No. SBI 86, the Department said that it could not provide information about the completion date for the consultancy on accessible housing research which resulted from a joint tender process between the ABCB and the Victorian Building Commission, because the contract was being managed by the VBC. Surely you can tell us whether the consultancy has been completed or, if not, when it is expected to be completed?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-85	Campbell		If the consultancy has been completed, has the final report been considered by the ABCB? If so, when was it considered? Are you in a position to provide a copy of the final consultancy report to the Committee?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-86	Campbell		If the consultancy has not been completed, has the ABCB considered a draft report? Can you provide any advice on what has been done so far and what further work is required to complete the consultancy?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>ABCB's contribution to accessible housing research</b>						
AI-87	Campbell		Again in response to QON No. SBI 86, the Department said that the ABCB has agreed to pay half of the cost of the consultancy on accessible housing research. Is this still the arrangement?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-88	Campbell		What is the total contract amount for this consultancy?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-89	Campbell		The response to QON 86 also said that "the nature of the ABCB's contribution is currently a matter of contractual discussion between the ABCB and the VBC" and that "The ABCB has not made any payment to the VBC as at 29 November 2005". Can you now provide an update?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-90	Campbell		Has the ABCB now made any payments in relation to this consultancy? If so, please provide	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	

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			details. If not, what is the problem?			
<b>Impact of IR changes on small business</b>						
AI-91	Campbell		Is the Department aware of concerns in the small business sector about what the IR changes mean for them?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-92	Campbell		Has the Department been contacted through stakeholders, about the confusion the IR changes are causing within the small business?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-93	Campbell		Is the Department aware of figures in the latest quarterly MYOB Australian Small Business Survey, showing the IR changes and small business confusion has seen hiring intentions fall by 11 per cent?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-94	Campbell		Will the Department undertake programs to educate small business owners about the IR changes? How much will programs cost and how long will they be run for?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
<b>Small business regulation</b>						
AI-95	Campbell		What actions have the department taken to try an ease the compliance burden on small business?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-96	Campbell		Have any of these measures had a real impact?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-97	Campbell		Is the department considering other schemes to reduce the compliance burden?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-98	Campbell		How much consultation is done with stakeholders, when considering schemes to reduce small business compliance?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-99	Campbell		What government department is the worst offender, when it comes to small business red tape?	16/5/2006	16/5/2006	
AI-100	Campbell		What is the main source of red tape for small business?	15/5/2006	16/5/2006	
<b>Briefs to the Director of Public Prosecutions</b>						
AI-101	Ludwig	DITR and agencies	How many briefs have you forwarded to the DPP for 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05? How many briefs were returned without action, and how many were actioned?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-102	Ludwig	DITR and agencies	For each year, what was the average time (as well as indicating the minimum and maximum time in each case) in which it took the DPP to... a. Bring charges against the accused party b. Formally bring the matter to a conclusion through either a verdict of guilty or not guilty, the entrance of a nolle prosequi or dropping the charges c. Return the brief for no further action	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	



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AI-103	Ludwig	DITR and agencies	Did the department or agency forward any formal complaints to the DPP regarding the handling of the brief? If so, give details.	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
AI-104	Ludwig	DITR and agencies	Did the department or agency forward any informal complaints to the DPP regarding the handling of the brief? If so, give details.	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Grants to industry organisations</b>						
AI-105	Campbell		Can the Department give a list of all the grants it has given to industry organisations and the respective amounts?	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	
<b>Grants awarded to Hillsong Church</b>						
AI-106	Ludwig	DITR and agencies	How many grants have you issued to Hillsong Church, its associated corporations and entities? List name, price and duration of funding by department.	19/4/2006	20/4/2006	