Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator Eggleston asked:

Senator EGGLESTON—That is very good. Now I would like to ask you about the TQUAL Grants program and other tourism related programs, as required. For each of the grant recipients under the Australian Tourism Development Program and the TQUAL Grants program, will the department table a list of which grant recipients the minister visited from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009. Could you do that for us?

Ms Madden—Subject to the minister's agreement.

Mr Pierce—We will have to take that on notice.

Senator EGGLESTON—Yes, it has to be on notice because you need to do a little bit of research there.

Answer:

One TQUAL Grants project was visited by Minister Ferguson on 8 December 2009:

Project: Positioning North Queensland as an emerging tropical agri-food tourism destination;

Program: TQUAL Grants, Category 2;

Date visited: 8 December 2009.

Nine Australian Tourism Development Program projects and one Regional Tourism Program project were visited by the Minister from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2009. Details are in the table below:

Program	Project	Date Visited
ATDP Round 4	Creating a Sustainable Tourism Environment along the Great Ocean Road	31 August 2009
ATDP Round 3	Mountains of Memory: The Flinders Ranges Geotourism Strategy	7 August 2009
ATDP Round 5	Enhancing the Goldfields Experience (both past & present)	27 July 2009
ATDP Round 5	Dig the Tropic - Outback to Reef	20 July 2009
ATDP Round 3	Mount Avoca luxury accommodation lodge development	19 June 2009
ATDP Round 3	Savannah Way, Coordinated Implementation of Australia's Adventure Drive	30 April 2009
ATDP Round 5	The Poachers Trail: Re Branding and Marketing	26 February 2009
Regional Tourism Program	VisitVineyards.com	5 September 2008
ATDP Round 3	Grand Pacific Drive - Sydney to Wollongong and beyond	19 August 2008
ATDP Round 4	Seven Sheds Microbrewery and Meadery Tasting Room Development and Signage	2 May 2008