Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio Budget Estimates Hearing 2007-08 28 May 2007

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

TOPIC: Changes to the 175% premium R&D tax concession

REFERENCE: Written Question

QUESTION No. B1-3

Senator Stott Despoja asked:

Do you have projections of the increase in R&D output that the changes to the beneficial ownership provisions of the 175% Premium R&D Tax Concession is expected to have?

- a) If so, what are they?
- b) If not, on what evidence base did the decision to make this policy change rest?

ANSWER

Yes. The change is estimated to result in additional business R&D investment of \$200 million per annum.