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Senator EGGLESTON– When is each of the Industry Innovation Councils expected to conclude its work? And what are they required to present to the Department and/or Government upon completion of their activities?

ANSWER

The Industry Innovation Councils do not have a specific timeframe to conclude their activities. The Pulp and Paper Industry Innovation Council's operations will be reviewed twelve months after its first meeting, which is scheduled for 27 July 2010. Minister Carr announced the establishment of the Pulp and Paper Industry Innovation Council on 20 April 2010.

The Industry Innovation Councils provide strategic advice on innovation to the Minister for Innovation, Industry, Science and Research; champion innovation industry and work to build connections and collaborate with other innovation organisations.