

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
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**TOPIC:** Linkage Projects

**REFERENCE:** Written Question—Senator Eggleston

**QUESTION No.:** BI-145

On what dates did the ARC complete its assessment of applications for funding under Rounds 1 and 2 of the Linkage Projects program respectively?

For each of these rounds, on what date did it provide its recommendations to the Minister?

For each of the rounds, on what dates were: (a) public announcements made about the projects that were to be funded; and (b) the successful and unsuccessful applicants advised of the fate of their applications?

**ANSWER**

For *Linkage Projects* Round One, for funding commencing 2010, the assessment phase was completed on 24 September 2009. Recommendations were provided to the Minister on 13 October 2009.

For *Linkage Projects* Round Two, for funding commencing 2010, the assessment phase was completed on 27 May 2010. Recommendations were provided to the Minister on 2 June 2010.

Expected public announcement dates are available on the media release section of the Australian Research Council (ARC) website [http://www.arc.gov.au/media/media\\_releases.htm](http://www.arc.gov.au/media/media_releases.htm). Successful and unsuccessful applicants are advised on the same day as the public announcement.