Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

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CONSULTATIONS

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QUESTION No.SI-13

(Hansard 1/11/06, p.E27)

Senator Carr asked <u>about</u>:

Can you provide a list of those companies who were invited and took part in each of the consultations for the Manufacturing Industry Statement?

ANSWER

Participants were invited to the roundtables on the basis of personal invitations from the Minister. The roundtables proceeded on the basis they were held under Chatham House rules. On this basis it is not appropriate for the names of the participants to be disclosed without the agreement of individual participants.

However the following information may assist Senator Carr:

- The invitations were personal invitations from the Minister.
- 180 invitations were sent.
- 142 of the invitations were to business leaders.
- Of the attendees, 80% were business leaders.
- 31 industry associations were represented in the consultation process.