Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: R&D Tax Incentive

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Car

QUESTION NO.: SI-121

- 1. What is the status of the National Reference Group established by AusIndustry and the ATO to provide advice on the R&D Tax Incentive?
- 2. Has this group been disbanded? If so, why?
- 3. Is this group still active and if so, what is the group's ongoing work program?

ANSWER

- 1. The R&D Tax Incentive National Reference Group (NRG) is active and last met on 28 November 2013.
- 2. No.
- 3. Yes. The NRG's ongoing activity is captured in its terms of reference which are available at http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/programs/innovation-rd/RD-TaxIncentive/Guidance-and-Information/Governance-and-Corporate/Pages/TheNationalReferenceGroup(NRG).aspx.