

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 – New Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E913_06

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

- a) i) What is the cost of the review of the National Centre for Vocational Education Research? ii) What is the timeframe for reporting?
- b) Why was the review initiated?

Answer:

National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER)

- a) i) The Review is expected to cost in the order of \$116,000.
ii) A report is to be provided to the Minister for Vocational and Technical Education by early April 2006 and will be discussed at the 9 June meeting of the Ministerial Council for Vocational and Technical Education (MCVTE).
- b) The review was initiated to assess value for money and the effectiveness of the NCVER's research and statistical services in meeting the needs of the national training system. The review was instigated to ensure NCVER is positioned to support new training arrangements that came into effect in July 2005 and to ensure the best outcomes from the national training system funds assigned to research and statistics.