EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 - New Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E042 05

Senator Marshall asked on 3 June 2004, EWRE Hansard page 3.

Refers to DEST Question No E346 04 and E343 04.

Question:

What is the difference between the \$385,595,669.69 figure for incentives in question E346 04 and the figure of \$432.445 million in E343 04?

Answer:

Difference in Incentive Totals

DEST Question No. E346_04 is as follows:

"Can you provide the amount of incentives paid to employers by qualification offered under the National Training Packages payable under the Commonwealth New Apprenticeships incentives scheme for the 2002-2003 financial year."

The final answer of \$385,595,669.69 captures incentives paid to employers with New Apprentices undertaking National Training packages only. It includes GST.

DEST Question No. E343_04 is as follows:

"Can you tell me the amount of funding allocated to the Commonwealth New Apprenticeships Scheme for the 2002-2003 financial year for employer incentives and the final total amount actually paid to employers at the end of the financial year?"

The answer of \$432.445 million is the appropriated funds allocated to the New Apprenticeships Incentives Programme in 2002/03 through the Budget and Additional Estimates processes. This includes incentives for all qualifications not only those offered under training packages. The total excludes GST.