

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 – New Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E447_06 - Final

Refers to DEST Question No E475_05

Senator Wong asked on 2 November 2006, EWRE Hansard page 80.

Questions:

- a) I have a question in relation to the ACCI workplace barriers to training report, which was provided in June 2005. I noticed, or someone who is looking at all of these things noticed, that in the answer to question E475_05 that Senator Carr asked in last year's estimates in which the department was requested to itemise all contracts, consultancies, grants et cetera, we could not find this particular report on there. Perhaps you could indicate why.
- b) So what was the value of that contract? You would not have had any knowledge of the contract amount if ANTA had funded it?
- c) For which financial year was that, or was that the total funding?
- d) Or for the value of the contract, which might be another way in which it is being described. Could you take that on notice?

Answers:

ACCI Project Report – Addressing Workplace Barriers to Training

- a) The ACCI report was funded by the former Australian National Training Authority (ANTA) using National Programme (Section 11 ANTA Act) funding. As ANTA was responsible for providing its own input to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice, we are unable to explain why this contract was not included in ANTA's response to E475_05.
- b) The total value of the contract was \$330,000. The National Programme (Section 11 ANTA Act) funding was managed by ANTA. ANTA was not required to provide detailed reports to DEST on the management or allocation of this funding.
- c) ANTA funded this contract from 2002-2003 through 2004-2005.
- d) See answers to Questions b) and c) for total contract value and contract period.