# EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome:1Output Group:1.2 – Assistance for Individuals including those with special needs

# DEST Question No. E534\_06

Senator Evans provided in writing.

## Question:

Has the Department conducted any formal or informal evaluation of the trial? If so, provide a copy of any related documentation.

## Answer:

Evaluations of the Murdi Paaki COAG Trial

As the lead agencies for the Murdi Paaki Council of Australian Governments (COAG) trial, the Department of Education, Science, and Training (DEST) and the NSW Department of Education and Training (DET) commissioned a study in 2005 to explore the views of the Indigenous communities of the Murdi Paaki region. The outcomes of this study are currently being finalised.

The trial partners have commenced negotiations with the Office of Indigenous Policy Coordination (OIPC) to undertake a component of the formal evaluation of the Murdi Paaki COAG trial in 2006.