

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 – Australian Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E633_07

Senator Wong provided the question in writing.

Question:

DEST annual report p. 167, details a settlement of a claim against the Commonwealth for \$2,500 with respect to a claim for traineeship incentives.

- (a) To which incentive payment to which qualification did the claim relate?
- (b) What was the nature of the dispute?

Answer:

Incentive Payments and Qualifications relating to the claim

- (a) The claim related to two commencement incentive payments:
 - i one was for a trainee undertaking a Certificate II in Business Office Administration; and
 - ii the other was for trainee undertaking a Certificate III in Business Office Administration.
- (b) The nature of the dispute was a claim by an employer for the non-payment of incentives under the New Apprenticeships Incentives Programme with respect to two trainees employed by that employer. The matter was settled by way of the payment of a sum of \$2,500 to the employer, which represented payment of the incentives due to the employer.