



AUSTRALIAN SENATE

EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION

STANDING COMMITTEE

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2006-2007
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Education, Science and Training portfolio

Tabled documents

Documents presented to the committee — 1 November 2006

DEST Vocational Education & Training: - Industry Skills Councils coverage

Correspondence Received

Australian Research Council Correction of evidence from CEO Professor Peter Høj
(letter dated 9 November 2006)

Attachment C - Industry Skills Councils - Coverage

| ISC | Declaration * Period | Training Packages | DEST Funding 2005/2006 ¹² | No. of Staff |
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| Agri-food Industry Skills Council Ltd | 24 May 2004 to 30 June 2007 | MTM00 Australian Meat RTF03 - Amenity Horticulture RUV04 - Animal Care & Management RTD02 - Conservation & Land Management FDF03 - Food Processing Industry RGR02 - Racing Industry RTE03 - Rural Production SFI04 - Seafood Industry SUG02 - Sugar Milling | \$1,531,500.00 | 8 |
| Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council (CS&H ISC) | 18 March 2004 to 30 June 2007 | CHC02- Community Services HLT02 - Health | \$1,072,050.00 | 13 |
| Construction and Property Services Industry Skills Council Ltd | 3 September 2004 to 30 June 2007 | PRM04 -Asset Maintenance PRS03 - Asset Security BCG03 - General Construction BCF00 - Off-site Construction BCP03 - Plumbing & Services PRD01- Property Development and Management | \$1,327,300.00 | 6 |
| ElectroComms and Energy Utilities Industry Skills Council (EE-Oz Training Standards Ltd) | 28 November 2003 to 30 June 2007 | UTP98 - Electricity Supply Industry - Generation (Utilities) UTT98 - Electricity Supply Industry - Transmission & Distribution (Utilities) UTE99 - Electrotechnology Industry UTG98 - Gas Industry (Utilities) | \$1,021,000.00 | 2 full time, 1 p/t |
| Government and Community Safety Industry Skills Council (Public Service Skills Ltd) | May 2005 to 30 June 2007 | SC01 - Correctional Services LGA04 - Local Government PUA00 - Public Safety PSP04 - Public Sector NWP01 - Water Industry | \$1,500,000.00 | 5 |
| Innovation and Business Industry Skills | 24 May 2004 to 30 June 2007 | BSB01 - Business Services CUE03 - Entertainment CUF01 - Film, TV , Radio | \$2,174,100.00 | 14 |

¹ DEST funding specific to ISC operations for this evaluation.

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| Council Ltd | | and Multimedia FNS04 - Financial Services ICA99 - Information Technology CUL04 - Museum & Library /Information Services CUS01 - Music ICP99 - Printing & Graphic Arts ICT02 - Telecommunications TAA04 - Training & Assessment CUV03 - Visual Arts, Craft & Design | | |
| Manufacturing Industry Skills Council Ltd | 3 September 2004 to 30 June 2007 | MEA97 - Aeroskills PMA02 - Chemical, Hydrocarbons & Oil Refining MCM04 - Competitive Manufacturing LMF02 - Furnishing Industry PML04 - Laboratory Operations PMC04 - Manufactured Mineral Products MEM98 - Metal & Engineering Industry PMB01 - Plastics, Rubber & Cablemaking LMT00 - Textiles, Clothing & Footwear | \$1,786,750.00 | 12 |
| Resources and Infrastructure Industry Skills Council Ltd | 25 September 2003 to 30 June 2007 | MNC04 - Coal BCC03 - Civil Construction DRT03 - Drilling Industry MNQ03 - Extractive Industry MNM05 - Metalliferous Mining | \$1,582,550.00 | 7 |
| Service Industries Skills Council Ltd | 16 January 2004 to 30 June 2007 | WRB04 - Beauty THC04 - Caravan Industry SRC04 - Community Recreation Industry SRF04 - Fitness Industry WRF04 - Floristry WFS02 - Funeral Services WRH00 - Hairdressing THH02 - Hospitality SRO03 - Outdoor Recreation Industry SRS03 - Sport Industry WRR02 - Retail THT02 - Tourism WRW01 - Wholesale WRP02 - Community Pharmacy | \$2,042,000.00 | 15 |
| Transport and Logistics Industry Skills Council Ltd | 3 December 2003 to 30 June 2007 | TDT02 - Transport and Distribution TDA03 - Aviation TDM01 - Maritime | \$1,021,000.00 | 14 |

* The ten Industry Skills Councils were 'declared' by the ANTA Board on a delegation from the ANTA Ministerial Council. The first Industry Skills Council was declared on September 2003 and the last on June 2005 with 30 June 2007 being expiration of declaration period for all. The declaration included advice that funding for Councils would be on a financial year basis and 'subject to Commonwealth budgetary appropriation each year, the continuing approval of the organisation's business plan and subsequent deliverables.'



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9 November 2006

Mr John Carter
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Dear Mr Carter

I am writing to clarify evidence given by the Australian Research Council (ARC) to the Senate Standing Committee on Employment, Workplace Relations and Education at the Supplementary Budget Estimates hearing on 1 November 2006.

In response to a question from Senator Stephens, asking whether the Minister for Education, Science and Training has not given "any assurances that she will not veto, reject or change recommendations from the ARC", I indicated that "every single application that we have recommended that the Minister approve for funding, she has agreed to approve for funding."

That statement neglected to take into account that the ARC makes recommendations to the Minister on funding at various times throughout the year and that a decision by the Minister on approval of a small number of proposals recommended for funding is pending. It is the case, however, that the Minister has not vetoed, rejected or changed any recommendations from the ARC.

Yours sincerely

Peter Høj