

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

**Outcome** 4

**DEEWR Question No.** EW659\_10

Senator Ronaldson asked on 21 October 2009, EEW Hansard page 104 and 105.

**Question**

Senator RONALDSON —What employment services providers were operating in Eastern Suburbs NSW ESA, Keepit NSW ESA and St George-Sutherland NSW ESA, and how many staff losses were there with the change of contract to A4e.

**Answer**

A4e Pty Limited ABN 81 132 914 633 (an Australian private company) was awarded Job Services Australia business in Eastern Suburbs NSW Employment Service Area (ESA), Keepit NSW ESA and St George-Sutherland NSW ESA.

Job Services Australia Providers are as follows

Eastern Suburbs NSW ESA	Marrickville Community Training Centre
	MAXNetwork Pty Limited
	A4e Pty Limited
	Joblink Plus Limited
	Tablelands Community Employment and Training Inc
	A4e Pty Limited
	Walhallow Aboriginal Corporation
St George-Sutherland NSW ESA	Marrickville Community Training Centre
	CatholicCare
	MAXNetwork Pty Limited
	A4e Pty Limited

At 30 June 2009 employment services providers in Eastern Suburbs NSW ESA were as follows

Job Network	MAXNetwork Pty Ltd
	Break Thru People Solutions
	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Limited
	Waverley Action for Youth Services
Disability Employment Network	MaxNetwork Pty Ltd
	Break Thru People Solutions
	Sydney Rehabilitation Services Pty Ltd
	Spinal Cord Injuries Australia Ltd
Vocational Rehabilitation Services	Break Thru People Solutions
Job Placement Employment and Training	Waverley Action for Youth Services
Personal Support Program	Sydney Rehabilitation Services Pty Ltd
	Waverley Action for Youth Services
	Jewish Care

At 30 June 2009 employment services providers in Keepit NSW ESA were as follows

Job Network	Joblink Plus Limited
	Tablelands Community Employment and Training Inc
	Country Employment Services Pty Limited
Disability Employment Network	Challenge Disability Services Ltd
	Peel Valley Training Enterprises
Job Placement Employment and Training	Joblink Plus Limited
Personal Support Program	Joblink Plus Limited
	Newtrain Inc
	Peel Valley Training Enterprises
Community Work Coordinator	Joblink Plus Limited
	The Uniting Church

At 30 June 2009 employment services providers in St George-Sutherland NSW ESA were as follows

Job Network	Marrickville Community Training Centre
	Salvation Army (Victoria) Property Trust
	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Limited
	, IPC Employment Pty Limited
	Sydney Rehabilitation Services Pty Limited
	Work Directions Australia Pty Limited
Disability Employment Network	CatholicCare
	Sydney Rehabilitation Services Pty Ltd
	Disability Services Australia Ltd
	The Nautilus Project Inc
Vocational Rehabilitation Services	Serendipity (WA) Pty Ltd
Job Placement Employment and Training	St George Youth Services Inc
Personal Support Program	Marrickville Community Training Centre
	CatholicCare
	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Limited
	Hurstville Enterprise Association for People Services Inc
	WorkDirections Australia Pty Ltd
Community Work Coordinators	Marrickville Community Training Centre
	Pole Depot Neighbourhood Centre

While the Department does not have any details of possible job losses for employment services in these ESAs, in the period immediately following the tender announcement the department implemented a range of support and assistance to the industry. This comprised of:

- working in partnership with industry to implement initiatives to retain workers and their valuable skills and to ensure they were aware of the full range of services available to them, facilitate solutions and to mitigate the impact on their employees.
- providing to all employment service provider staff access to the training modules for the new services developed by the Department, enabling them to position themselves for employment with another Provider.
- providing resources to the peak provider association, National Employment Services Association (NESA) for a website to connect Providers seeking experienced available staff.

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relation entered into a six month funding agreement with the Australian Services Union on 19 August 2009.

The funding agreement is for \$132,000 (including GST), and under the funding agreement, the Australian Services Union is undertaking a range of activities, to facilitate the transition of employment services staff to employers working in Job Services Australia.