

25 March 2003

Mr John Carter
Secretary
Employment, Workplace Relations and Education References Committee
Australian Senate
Suite SGS2
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Dear Mr Carter

Please find attached a submission from the Australian National Training Authority (ANTA) to the Committee's Inquiry into Current and Future Skills Needs.

ANTA is currently managing a project on future demand and growth for vocational education and training to 2010, which covers many of the issues raised in the terms of reference for the inquiry. The project will include labour market forecasts to 2010, taking into account factors like demographic and technological change, examine policy developments and their possible influences on demand for skills, and link all these factors to determine likely demand for skills and for vocational education and training over coming years.

However, this work is not yet complete and is not due to report to the Ministerial Council until June. A copy of the report can be made available to the Committee immediately thereafter.

Mr Steve McDonald, General Manager, and Ms Kareena Arthy, Director (Research, Planning and Reporting) will be appearing before the Committee at the public hearing next week. If you require further information on this submission, please contact Ms Arthy on 07 3246 2476.

Yours sincerely

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