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1. The Coalition's "Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania". This document says there will be a one-stop-shop established for Government approvals for Tasmanian projects. When will this begin?
2. What is the total cost of setting this up?
3. What is the saving using this process compared to the existing process?
4. What exactly made the existing process unsuitable?
5. For every dollar spent setting this up, is there an expected return to the Tasmanian economy?

ANSWER

1. The Coalition's "Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania" policy document outlines that the Agency will commence from 1 July 2014.
2. The Agency's operations are under consideration by Government.
3. The Agency will identify opportunities to streamline approvals and other arrangements to save businesses time and money.
4. The Coalition's "Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania" policy document outlines that, 'its function will be to manage the paperwork associated with project approvals so that major projects need only deal with a single Commonwealth entry point.'
5. The Coalition's "Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania" policy document outlines the functions and benefits of the Agency to the Tasmanian economy, focusing on investment attraction and streamlined approval processes.