

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2007-2008 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome** 3

#### **DEST Question No. E016\_08**

Senator Carr asked on 31 May 2007, EWRE Hansard page 35.

#### **Question:**

**Senator CARR**—Can you tell me what is being done in regard to oil and gas?

**Ms Cross**—As I said, I am not aware of any projects other than the one which is under consideration at the moment. I can check that for you, but it would require going back through several years of projects.

**Mr Davidson**—Are you asking about oil and gas or oil and gas involving maritime?

**Senator CARR**—I am asking about oil and gas involving maritime particularly.

#### **Answer:**

##### *Oil and Gas Maritime Industry*

The department actively discusses skills shortages issues with a range of industry stakeholders. In relation to the oil and gas industry, the department is represented on the Inter Departmental Committee for the Australian Petroleum Production and Exploration Association (APPEA) Upstream Petroleum Strategy. The department is also in discussion with maritime industry representatives on skills issues affecting the industry.