SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 2ND NOVEMBER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Output 1.2.2: Employment Services

Question Number: W910-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Payment to Voluntary Work Agencies – How many participants do you anticipate this financial year? How many in each of the previous three years? How many anticipated in the next three years (to 2009-10)?

Answer:

The current funding deed has a target of 9,000 commencements for 2006-07.

The number of customers assisted and referred in each year are:

2002-03: 21,048 2003-04: 18,146 2004-05: 20,756

Prior to June 2005, the effectiveness of the VWI was determined by its ability to assist and refer customers to voluntary work.

Targets have not been set beyond 2006-07.