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

#### **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Agency Australian Industrial Registry

DEEWR Question No. EW610 10

Senator Cash asked on 21 October 2009, EEWR Hansard page 30:

#### Question

Did the Commission or anyone from the Department actually go out and contact interested parties, like grape growers in Western Australia, for example, or was the onus on them to actually present their arguments to the Commission?

How many wine grape growers were contacted in Western Australia as part of that process?

Further to reviewing the Hansard from Senate Estimates, Senator Cash would like the Registry to provide the information requested by month, since the start of the year

#### **Answer**

The Australian Industrial Registry has provided the following response:

Wine grape growers in Western Australia participated in the award modernisation process, including through submissions and representation.

All parties interested in the award modernisation process have been able to participate in two ways: making a written submission and appearing at public consultations.

Western Australian grape growers used these avenues for agriculture and liquor and accommodation.

In total, 16 submissions from or on behalf of Western Australian grape growers have been received. These relate to scope and content of the modern awards, specific provisions in the Exposure Drafts of modern awards and transitional arrangements. They are publicly available on the AIRC website.

Wine Grape Growers' Australia (WGGA), as the peak industry body, made eight submissions. WGGA represents 7500 independent wine grape growers who own and operate 79% of Australia's wine grape vineyards and also represents all state and regional bodies, including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia.

Three appearances were made at public consultations by or on behalf of Western Australian grape growers.

The details of submissions and appearances are:

### **Submissions – Agriculture Group**

Date	Party	
11 Dec 08	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
15 Dec 08	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
9 Feb 09	Western Australia Wine Industry Association	
6 March 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	

## Submissions – Liquor and accommodation industry (manufacturing)

Date	Party	
6 March 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
6 March 09	SA Wine Industry Association and others (including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia)	
27 March 09	SA Wine Industry Association and others (including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia)	
14 April 09	SA Wine Industry Association and others (including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia	
14 May 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
9 June 09	Alkoomi Wines Pty Ltd (WA Winemaker)	
12 June 09	SA Wine Industry Association and others (including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia)	
12 June 09	Wine Industry Association of Western Australia	
7 July 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
1 Sept 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
23 Oct 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	
23 Oct 09	SA Wine Industry Association and others (including the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia)	

# Appearances at public consultations – Liquor and accommodation industry (manufacturing)

Date	Party	Member
16 Mar 09	Wine Grape Growers' Australia	Acton SDP
16 Mar 09	South Australian Wine Industry Association, the Wine Makers Federation of Australia and Victorian Wine Industry Association and the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia (representing wine makers in that state)	Acton SDP
1 Jul 09	South Australian Wine Industry Association, the Wine Makers Federation of Australia and Victorian Wine Industry Association and the Wine Industry Association of Western Australia (representing wine makers in that state)	Full Bench