

# Appendix D - List of public hearings and witnesses

# Wednesday, 20 July 2005 - Perth

### Agricultural Educators Association of Western Australia

Brother Francis Donohoe, Publicity Officer

### Government of Western Australia

Mrs Kay Bodman, State Coordinator FarmBis, Department of Agriculture

Mr Bruce Thorpe, Director, Farm Business Development Unit, Industry and Regional Services Division, Department of Agriculture

Mr Garry Fischer, Manager, Agricultural Education, Department of Education and Training

Ms Wendy Newman, Council Member, Technology and Industry Advisory Council

#### Western Australian Farmers Federation

Mr Trevor De Landgrafft, President

Mr Julian Breheny, Research Officer

### Agriculture Research Western Australia

Dr Walter Cox, Chairman of the Board

Dr Andy Paterson, Planning Director

Mr Richard Payne, Executive Officer

# Wednesday, 10 August 2005 - Canberra

#### **National Farmers' Federation**

Mr Peter Arkle, Rural Affairs Manager

Mrs Denita Wawn, Workplace Relations Manager

### Rural Skills Australia

Mr Geoffrey Bloom, Executive Director

Mr Wayne Cornish, Chair

# Wednesday, 17 August 2005 - Canberra

#### Land & Water Australia

Mr Andrew Campbell, Executive Director

Dr Stuart Pearson, Senior Knowledge Broker

# Wednesday, 7 September 2005 - Canberra

### **Individuals**

Dr Sandra J Welsman

### **Agsafe Ltd**

Mr Sam Ponder, General Manager

#### ChemCert Australia

Dr Margaret Clarke, Executive Manager

#### **Avcare Ltd**

Mr Claude Gauchet, Executive Director

# Thursday, 20 October 2005 - Sydney

### Applied Horticultural Research Pty Ltd

Dr Gordon Rogers, Managing Director

### **Australian Honey Bee Industry Council**

Mr Stephen Ware, Executive Director

### Australian Queen Bee Exporters Pty Ltd

Mr Warren Taylor, Managing Director

#### Australian Wool Innovation Ltd

Mr Paul Comyn, Program Manager, Education and Adoption

#### Cotton Australia Ltd

Mr Ralph Leutton, Program Manager, Policy and Legislation

### **Irrigation Association of Australia**

Mr Jolyon Burnett, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Jann O'Connor, Training Development Manager

#### Meat & Livestock Australia

Mr Stephen Feighan, Project Manager, Producer Delivery and Adoption

Dr Reuben Rose, General Manager, Livestock Production Innovation

### **NSW Farmers' Association**

Mr Alan Brown, Chair of the Rural Affairs Committee and Board Director

Ms Brianna Casey, Senior Policy Manager, Rural Affairs

### Nursery & Garden Industry Australia

Ms Jenny Lambert, Chief Executive Officer

Ms Candice McNamara, National Skill Development Manager

# Friday, 21 October 2005 - Newcastle

#### Australian Mushroom Growers Association Ltd

Mr Gregory Seymour, General Manager

### **Tocal Agriculture College**

Ms Margo Duncan, Chair, Advisory Council

Mr Cameron Archer, Member, Advisory Council and Principal

Mr Richard Chaffey, Deputy Chair, Advisory Council

### National Conservation and Land Management Training Providers Network

Mr Darren Bayley, Chair

### NSW Rural and Related Industries Skill Advisory Committee

Mr Niel Jacobsen, Project Manager

### Wednesday, 9 November 2005 - Canberra

#### Institute of Foresters of Australia

Mrs Heather Crompton, Immediate Past President

Mr Adrian O'Loughlin, Executive Director

# Monday, 14 November 2005 - Melbourne

### **Australian Agriculture Training Providers Network**

Mr Colin Cook, Member and South Australian Representative

Mr William Kinsey, Committee Member

Mr Michael Schaefer, Outgoing Chairperson

### **Australian Dairy Farmers Ltd**

Mr Robert Poole, Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Policy Director

#### Forest and Wood Products RDC

Dr Glen Kile, Executive Director

### Department of Agricultural Sciences, La Trobe University

Dr Mark Sandeman, Head of Department

Dr Peter Sale, Associate Professor, Agricultural Science

#### Northern Melbourne Institute of TAFE

Mr Andrew Coulthard, Operations Manager, Faculty of Earth Science

Mr Wayne Pappin, Head of Department of Agriculture and Animal Science

### **Primary Skills Victoria**

Mr James Dennis, Chair, Agriculture Standing Committee

Mr Gregory Hallihan, Executive Officer

### Rimfire Resources Pty Ltd

Mr Nigel Crawley, Director

### **University of Melbourne**

Professor Frank Larkins, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research) and Dean of the Faculty of Land and Food Resources

# Tuesday, 15 November 2005 - Geelong

### **Individuals**

Mr Peter Berrisford

### **Grains Industry Training Network**

Ms Nickie Berrisford, Executive Officer

### Marcus Oldham College

Mr Samuel Inglis, Director of Corporate Training

Mr Simon Livingstone, Principal

### **RMIT University**

Dr David Hodges, Research Supervisor

Dr Kaye Scholfield, Manager, Community Partnerships & Projects

Dr Bill Vistarini, Lecturer/Supervisor

Ms Susan McArthur, Teacher in TAFE, Former RMIT Masters Student (Project)

Mrs Marilyn Lyons, M Ed (RMIT), RMIT Hamilton Masters by Projects Students

# Wednesday, 7 December 2005 - Canberra

### **Indigenous Land Corporation**

Mr David Galvin, General Manager

Mr Stephen McCarthy, National Capacity Development Manager

# Wednesday, 8 February 2006 - Canberra

### **Rural Industries Skill Training**

Mr Bill Hamill, Chief Executive Officer

# Wednesday, 15 February 2006 - Canberra

### Animal Health Australia

Dr Lorna Citer, Training Service Manager

Dr Robert Keogh, Director Programs

# Wednesday, 1 March 2006 - Canberra

### Isolated Children's Parents' Association of NSW

Mr Gordon Dunlop, Treasurer

Ms Susan Gordon, President

# Thursday, 9 March 2006 - Tamworth

### **Individuals**

Mr Raymond McInerney

Mr Keith Mutton

Mr Anthony Eden

Mr John Rhodes

#### Cotton Catchment Communities CRC

Prof Peter Gregg, Chief Scientist

Mr Guy Roth, Chief Executive Officer

### Farrer Memorial Agricultural High School

Mr Zac Carrigan, Student

Mr Graeme Harris, Vocational Education Teacher

Mr James Levy, Relieving Principal

Mr Chris Schutz, Student

Mr Jamie Thomas, Relieving Head Teacher, Agriculture

### **National Association of Agricultural Educators**

Mr Graeme Harris, Secretary

# Friday, 10 March 2006 - Armidale

#### **Individuals**

Mr Richard Belfield

Mr Maxwell Woods

### **Australian Beef Industry Foundation**

Mr Graeme Truscott, General Manager

### Country Women's Association of NSW

Mrs Margaret Brown, Representative, State Executive, State Social Issues Committee

### University of New England

Dr Geoffrey Hinch, Associate Professor, Head, School of Rural Science and Agriculture

Professor Alan Pettigrew, Vice-Chancellor and CEO

Professor Margaret Sedgley, Executive Dean, Faculty of the Sciences

# Wednesday, 29 March 2006 - Canberra

### **Agri-Food Industry Skills Council**

Mr Arthur Blewitt, CEO

Ms Jane Brownbill, Senior Manager

# Monday, 10 April 2006 - Brisbane

#### **Individuals**

Mr Donald Keith

Dr Max Whitten

#### **CSIRO**

Dr Peter Carberry, Group Leader, Agricultural Landscapes Program, Sustainable Ecosystems

Dr Brian Keating, Deputy Chief, Science Integration, Sustainable Ecosystems

### **Queensland Government**

Mr Rod Camm, Executive Director, Industry Development, Department of Employment and Training

Ms Kirstine Harvie, Director, Office of Industry and Community Development, Department of Employment and Training

Mr Damien Killin, Policy Officer, Department of Employment and Training

### **Queensland Rural Industry Training Council**

Mrs Jennifer Easlea, Council Member

Mr Michael McCosker, Council Member

Mrs Sheila Thompson, Chair

Mrs Yvon Wigley, Executive Officer

### Rangelands Australia

Dr John Taylor, Director

# Tuesday, 11 April 2006 - Toowoomba

### **AgForce Queensland**

Mrs Wendy Allen, Manager, Training and Corporate Partners

### **Australian Agricultural College Corporation**

Mr Malcolm McKay, College Director

Mr Ross Murray, Director, Education and Training

#### **Australasia-Pacific Extension Network**

Mr John James, Past President

Mr Greg Leach, Member

Mr Neale Price, National President

#### **Conservation Farmers Inc.**

Mr Michael Burgis, Executive Officer

Ms Jillian Condell, Consultant

Mr Jean-Francois Rochecouste, Consultant

### **Horizon Rural Management**

Dr Peter Wylie

# Wednesday, 24 May 2006 - Canberra

### University of Queensland

Professor Richard Williams, Professor in Horticulture, School of Agronomy and Horticulture

Professor Roger Swift, Executive Dean, Faculty of Natural Resources, Agriculture and Veterinary Science, and Campus Director

# Wednesday, 31 May 2006 - Canberra

### Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology

Mr James McColl, Board Member, South Australian Division

Mr Geoffrey Thomas, President, South Australian Division

# Wednesday, 9 August 2006 - Canberra

### Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

Dr Dennis Bittisnich, Manager, Innovation Policy Section, Rural Policy and Innovation Division

Mr Bruce Bowen, General Manager, Industry Partnership, Training and Leadership, Rural Policy and Innovation Division

Mr Jeffrey Hillan, Manager, Farm Business Management, Rural Policy and Innovation Division

Mr Ian Thompson, Executive Manager, Rural Policy and Innovation Division

# Wednesday, 16 August 2006 - Canberra

### Department of Education, Science and Training

Dr Paul Balnaves, Acting Branch Manager, Transitions and Attainment Branch

Ms Rebecca Cross, Group Manager, Industry Skills Development Group

Mr Ben Johnson, Branch Manager, Skills Branch, Industry Skills Development Group