

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Agency: ASQA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000108

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

ASQA - Enterprise Agreement

Question

Are ASQA staff covered by a current Enterprise Agreement?
[If the EA is not finalised] When do you expect that agreement to be finalised?

Answer

The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has provided the following response -

ASQA staff are currently covered by the ASQA Enterprise Agreement 2012–2014, which remains active until it is replaced by another Enterprise Agreement.

ASQA staff have had two opportunities to vote for a new Enterprise Agreement, in 2015 and 2016, and have voted “no” on both occasions.

ASQA continues to bargain in good faith and hopes to proceed to a third vote in 3–4 months, should the Australian Public Service Commission approve the proposed Enterprise Agreement offer.