

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017**

**Outcome: Skills and Training**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-001042**

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

***Multi Industry School Based and Pre-Apprenticeship Support Pilot Project***

**Question**

1. Please outline the exact process followed to award funding for the Multi Industry School Based and Pre-Apprenticeship Support Pilot Project.
2. Please provide the criteria used for awarding the associated grant.
3. Was an open grant process used to select the organisation to deliver the project?
4. How many proposals for the project were received?
5. Please provide copies of the proposals.

**Answer**

- 1) The departmental delegate approved funding under Clause 75 of the Training for Employment Scholarships (TES) Pilot guidelines under the Industry Skills Fund Youth Stream for 2015–16. The Apprenticeship Employment Network (AEN) were notified of their success on 8 March 2016.
- 2) Clause 75 of the TES guidelines provides that:  
*Where appropriate, under the direction of the Programme Delegate, the Department may consider innovative proposals for delivery that comply with Clauses 16 and 17.*

Clauses 16 and 17 are provided below:

*Policy Objectives*

*16. The objectives of the Programme are to:*

- (a) provide businesses with greater access to appropriately skilled workers; and*
- (b) improve job prospects for young people.*

*Programme Outcomes*

*17. In meeting the policy objectives, the Programme is expected to:*

- (a) trial a new model of providing incentives for employers to take on new workers;*
- (b) trial a new employer-led training model that provides job-specific training; and*
- (c) trial a new model to create pathways for unemployed young people into long term work.*

- 3) TES was an open process. Under TES, 36 applications were received and 29 projects were funded.
- 4) One proposal was received for this project, as each project proponent had their own proposal.
- 5) The department considers that it would not be appropriate to disclose AEN's project proposal as it contains funding details relating to co-contributors.