Senate Economics Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Industry, Tourism and Resources Portfolio 2006-07 Additional Budget Estimates Hearing 15 & 16 February 2007

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INDUSTRY, TOURISM AND RESOURCES

TOPIC: Departmental Funding for Clean Coal Technologies

REFERENCE: WRITTEN QUESTION

QUESTION No. AI-103

Senator EVANS asked:— For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department separately indicate the total funding provided to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies? E.g. CRC's, CSIRO, CLET

ANSWER

Under AusIndustry Programs Commercial Ready, R&D Start and Innovation Access

- CO2CRC Management Pty total funding \$2.20m paid 2004-05 to 2006-07 to date with a further \$1.68m remaining to be paid in 2006-07 expected completion 2007-08.
- Exergen Pty Ltd total funding \$1.22m paid 2004-05 to 2006-07 to date with a further \$0.02m remaining to be paid in 2006-07 expected completion date 2007-08.*

* Includes both R&D Start and Commercial Ready funding.

QUESTION No. AI-104

Senator EVANS asked:— For the years 2007-08, 2008-09 and 2009-10 can the Department separately indicate the total funding allocated to every relevant organisation, for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies?

ANSWER

Under AusIndustry Programs Commercial Ready and R&D start

- CO2CRC Management Pty total funding \$0.2m expected completion 2007-08.
- Exergen Pty Ltd total funding \$0.37m expected completion date 2007-08.**

** Commercial Ready funding.

Under the *Low Emissions Technology Demonstration Fund* (LETDF), the following companies are expected to receive funding for clean coal technology projects:

- CS Energy Ltd (total funding \$50 million) expected completion approximately 2014-15***
- International Power (Technologies) Pty Ltd (total funding \$50 million) expected completion 2013-14***
- HRL Developments (IDGCC) Pty Ltd (total funding \$100 million) expected completion 2009-10 or 2010-11***

*** The funding profiles will not be known until the Schedules to the Funding Deeds are finalised.

Under the Asia Pacific Partnership for Clean Development and Climate (AP6):

- CSIRO \$13 million
- Geoscience Australia \$3 million
- Ultra Clean Coal Energy Limited \$2 million

Please note: these organisations have been allocated in-principle funding support for the 2006/07 to 2010/11 period (see figures above). As yet these have not been profiled by year, as final funding approval has not yet been granted.

QUESTION No. AI-105

Senator EVANS asked:— For the years 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 (to date) can the Department provide the total funding provided for the purpose of research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies? If this figure is different from the total of the amounts in the first question please explain discrepancy.

ANSWER

A total of \$3.42m has been spent to date on research, development and demonstration of clean coal technologies. A further \$2.27m has been allocated to the aforementioned Commercial Ready projects and we currently expect these payments will be completed by 2007-08.