Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Resources, Energy and Tourism Portfolio Additional Estimates 14 February 2013

Question: AR15

Topic: Tourism Industry

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Senator Ronaldson asked:

11. Tourism Grants

With respect to the Program 4 line activity, "promoting the development of innovative products, services or systems within the tourism industry to improve the quality of Australia's tourism products and services":

- a. How many applications for Tourism Infrastructure Regional Fund grants have been received?
- b. How many are 'demand driver' projects?
- c. How many applications are for 'support infrastructure' projects?
- d. When will a funding announcement be made?

Answer:

- a. 763 applications were received for the TIRF Grants Program.
- b. Applicants were not able to undertake any kind of marketing, advertising or product promotion under this program and as such no 'demand driver' projects were eligible for funding.
- c. Public infrastructure projects, such as public transport infrastructure or local community facilities, were not eligible for funding under this program.
- d. Successful applicants were announced by the Minister on 15 March 2013.