Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

TOPIC: Stem Cell Centre

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Boswell

QUESTION No.: SI-4

How much government funding has been allocated to the Centre – from federal and state governments?

ANSWER

Funds have been allocated to the ASCC in two tranches under the Biotechnology Centre of Excellence Program, \$43.55 million in 2001-02 and a further \$55 million in 2003-04 taking total funding for the Centre to \$98.55 million with funding due to cease in 2011. An additional \$5.5 million was provided under the Major National Research Facilities Program for the period 2001-02 to 2005-06. The Department understands the ASCC has also received \$11.4 million from the Victorian Government.