

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
16 FEBRUARY 2006  
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome:** Corporate

**Question Number:** W753-06

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

How many staff in DEWR are authorised to conduct AWA negotiations on behalf of the Department and what training do they receive? Please table a copy of any training documentation. Has every person who negotiates on DEWR's behalf undertaken this training?

**Answer:**

DEWR does not place restrictions on who is authorised to conduct AWA negotiations on behalf of the department. The relevant guidance to conducting AWA negotiations is given in the AWA Handbook, which is available to both managers and employees.