EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2008-09 ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome 2

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Senator Mason provided in writing.

Question

Trade Training Centres in Schools

Previous senate estimates responses indicated that funding for Round One should start to be made available from the end of the 2008 academic year. Have all schools received their funding? If not, why not?

Answer

Trade Training Centre contractual arrangements require two levels of negotiation. First, an overarching funding agreement must be negotiated and agreed with each education authority, and second, a Project Specific Schedule for each Trade Training Centre must be negotiated and agreed with the relevant education authority.

Overarching funding agreements with education authorities that had successful projects in Round One (Phase One) have all been executed. The Department is now finalising Project Specific Schedules for all individual projects.