

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for science collaboration and innovation

DEST Question No. E196_05

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

The guidelines operating until late 2003 defined a role for the Visitor which placed emphasis on their central role for the review process for CRCs; That is, an ongoing, central role. How did the “Commonwealth” get it so wrong in providing a perspective that was contradictory to its own guidelines and what has actually happened in practice?

Answer:

Review process for CRCs

See answer to Question E195_05.

A revised review process is being implemented which will require the Board of a CRC to commission an independent review after the CRC's third year of operation. A CRC's visitor may participate in the review.