

Turbocharging the VET Workforce

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule

Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australian Tasmania Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2027, or on completion of all approved projects (whichever is later), including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against milestones.
Purpose	This Schedule establishes the funding arrangements between the Commonwealth and the states and territories (the States) to support the delivery of Turbocharging the VET Workforce. This Schedule provides Commonwealth funding to State projects that increase the teacher, trainer and assessor workforce for clean energy occupations.

Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the States of \$30.0m in respect of this Schedule. <table><tr><td colspan="4">Table 1</td></tr><tr><td>(\$ million)</td><td>2025-26</td><td>2026-27</td><td>Total</td></tr><tr><td>Estimated total budget</td><td>15.0</td><td>15.0</td><td>30.0</td></tr><tr><td><i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i></td><td>15.0</td><td>15.0</td><td>30.0</td></tr><tr><td>- New South Wales</td><td>3.8</td><td>3.8</td><td>7.5</td></tr><tr><td>- Victoria</td><td>3.2</td><td>3.2</td><td>6.5</td></tr><tr><td>- Queensland</td><td>2.7</td><td>2.7</td><td>5.4</td></tr><tr><td>- Western Australia</td><td>1.7</td><td>1.7</td><td>3.4</td></tr><tr><td>- South Australia</td><td>1.3</td><td>1.3</td><td>2.6</td></tr><tr><td>- Tasmania</td><td>0.8</td><td>0.8</td><td>1.6</td></tr><tr><td>- Australian Capital Territory</td><td>0.8</td><td>0.8</td><td>1.6</td></tr><tr><td>- Northern Territory</td><td>0.7</td><td>0.7</td><td>1.4</td></tr><tr><td>Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td><td>0.0</td></tr></table> Note: These figures reflect rounding – actuals may differ slightly and will be detailed in the Tables below.				Table 1				(\$ million)	2025-26	2026-27	Total	Estimated total budget	15.0	15.0	30.0	<i>Less estimated National Partnership Payments</i>	15.0	15.0	30.0	- New South Wales	3.8	3.8	7.5	- Victoria	3.2	3.2	6.5	- Queensland	2.7	2.7	5.4	- Western Australia	1.7	1.7	3.4	- South Australia	1.3	1.3	2.6	- Tasmania	0.8	0.8	1.6	- Australian Capital Territory	0.8	0.8	1.6	- Northern Territory	0.7	0.7	1.4	Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	0.0	0.0	0.0
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Additional terms	Projects To access funding under this Schedule, States are required to submit project proposals for consideration and approval by the Commonwealth Minister responsible for skills. The Commonwealth Minister will issue guidelines to the States that specify: a) the requirements each project proposal must satisfy to be approved, and b) the process for assessing project proposals. Performance milestones for each approved project will be appended to this Schedule on agreement by the Parties. Attribution In all public materials relating to Projects funded under this Schedule, the States will acknowledge the Commonwealth’s contribution with the following statement: Turbocharging the VET Workforce is a joint initiative between the Australian Government and the [State] Government.																																																							

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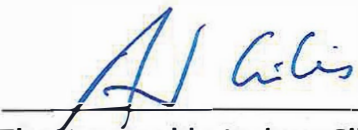
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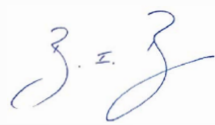
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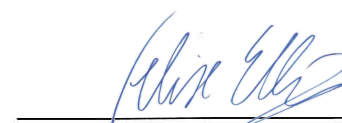
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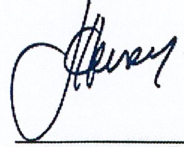
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