

Turbocharging the VET Workforce

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Table 1: Formalities and operation																					
Parties	Commonwealth Northern Territory																				
Duration	This Appendix 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	<p>This Appendix will support the delivery of programs under Turbocharging the VET Workforce in the Northern Territory.</p> <p>The initiative aims to strengthen the supply and capability of vocational education and training educators in priority clean energy, manufacturing and construction sectors with two programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Expert to Educator Fund aims to attract mid-career tradespeople from the resources, manufacturing, utilities, and construction sectors into the VET workforce by providing a supported pathway into education and training roles. • The NT Clean Energy VET Accelerator Fund will provide targeted support to Registered Training Organisations (RTO) to expand clean energy training delivery through curriculum development, validation, and assistance with Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) registration processes. 																				
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Table 2: Northern Territory – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expert to Educator Fund • The NT Clean Energy Accelerator Fund grant programs 	Milestone 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commonwealth approval of the Northern Territory's Expert to Educator Fund and The NT Clean Energy VET Accelerator Fund grant programs. 	On execution	\$694,590.50
	Milestone 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commonwealth acceptance of an initial progress report from commencement of the programs to 1 September 2026, signed by an NT senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches details on progress relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Program establishment including governance, management and reporting arrangements and an updated risk register. ○ Grant guidelines developed and finalised for both programs. ○ Evidence of launch of grant rounds for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Expert to Educator Fund ▪ NT Clean Energy VET Accelerator Fund ○ Evidence that promotion of these has begun via RTO networks, VET Communities of Practice, First Nations RTO Advisory Group, and industry peak bodies. ○ RTO application submissions and assessment of these. ○ Funding agreements executed with successful applicants entering into grant agreements. ○ Program commencement, including number of participants that have commenced or are expected to commence TAE training. 	30/09/2026	\$416,754.30
	Milestone 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commonwealth acceptance that the Northern Territory has implemented the Expert to Educator Fund and The NT Clean Energy VET Accelerator Fund grant 	11/05/2027	\$277,836.20

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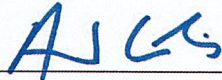
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	<p>programs, as evidenced through a report signed by a senior official with responsibility for skills that includes or attaches:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ A final acquittal report that that includes outcomes against each of the program milestones, including confirmation of delivery against approved activities and evidence that the programs were delivered including:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Delivery against program objectives.▪ Evidence of progress toward intended outcomes, including increased VET workforce capacity and improvements in RTO capability.▪ Evidence of implementation of grant funded activities, including activities undertaken to date.▪ Financial acquittal and expenditure of funds.▪ Lessons learned to inform future VET and clean energy workforce initiatives.○ Signed financial acquittal evidencing expenditure in accordance with the schedule.		
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Appendix as follows:

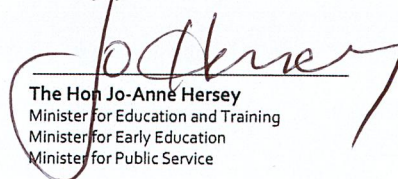
Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



The Honourable Andrew Giles MP
Minister for Skills and Training

28 / 4 / 2026

Signed for and on behalf of the Northern
Territory by:



The Hon Jo-Anne Hersey
Minister for Education and Training
Minister for Early Education
Minister for Public Service

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