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Mr Roger Jaensch MP  
Member for Braddon  
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Dear Mr Jaensch

Thank you for your constituent question regarding the establishment of the Tasmanian Clean Energy Centre of Excellence at TasTAFE's Burnie campus.

The Australian and Tasmanian Governments are jointly investing \$27.2 million to establish the Tasmanian Clean Energy Centre of Excellence at TasTAFE's Burnie campus. The Centre will provide state-of-the-art facilities and equipment to support training in electrotechnology, instrumentation and other clean energy-related fields, helping to build the skilled workforce needed to support Tasmania's growing renewable energy sector.

Design and construction activities for the Centre are expected to commence in the coming months. Once complete, it will be an outstanding educational asset for the North West Coast and help to support a pipeline of skilled workers in a growth area of our economy.

Supporting learners from regional and remote communities has been a key consideration in the development of the Centre. As part of the project, a new 25-room student accommodation facility has recently been completed at the Burnie TasTAFE campus and is now operational, providing affordable accommodation for learners who need to travel to undertake training.

In addition, eligible apprentices and trainees who are required to travel to attend training may access Travel and Accommodation Allowances, including support for travel within Tasmania. This assistance helps ensure learners can access training opportunities regardless of where they live.

The Tasmanian Government remains committed to ensuring Tasmanians have access to the skills and training needed to take advantage of the significant employment opportunities being created through our clean energy future, particularly on the West Coast and in North West Tasmania.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Felix Ellis".

Felix Ellis MP  
**Minister for Skills and Jobs**

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