

OTHER MEASURES

Energy Security Initiative – Marine Environmental Research and Mapping

Geoscience Australia

\$8.7 million over four years

- Enables the collection of fundamental marine geoscientific environmental information in Australia's offshore sedimentary basins.
- Provides a more secure and certain operating environment to Australia's oil and gas industry through more complete knowledge of the environmental factors impinging upon specific permit areas, and by providing access to improved knowledge of the distribution and character of seafloor habitats.

Return of Qantas 707 Jet

\$1 million in 2006–07

- Assists the restoration and return to Australia of Qantas' first Boeing 707 Jet for permanent display at the Qantas Founders Outback Museum in Longreach, Queensland.

Waste Supercompaction

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO)

\$4 million over two years

- Expands and upgrades the existing waste compaction infrastructure at Lucas Heights, ensuring sufficient capacity to store low level radioactive wastes until the proposed Commonwealth Radioactive Waste Management Facility is established.
- Delivers a modern decontamination facility and a waste conditioning process to prepare low level waste for ultimate disposal or long-term storage.



Biofuels Health Study

\$1.9 million over two years

- Examines the health impacts of ethanol blend fuels.

von Guerard Painting

\$0.8 million in 2006–07

- Supports the acquisition of the Eugene von Guerard painting, *View of Geelong*, to be hung in the Geelong Art Gallery.

Australia's Ocean Frontier – North-west Australia

Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS)

\$5 million over four years

- Expands the research in north-west Australia for the protection and sustainable development of marine resources and environmentally sustainable offshore oil and gas development.
- Contributes to improved operational certainty for environment managers and industry in this strategically and environmentally important region.