1. Under the provisions of Schedule 1A of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 (HESA) and Chapter 3 of the VET Guidelines 2013, Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ABN: 54086803232 (the First Provider) must comply with the VET Tuition Assurance requirements. This is to protect VET students in the event that Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ceases to provide a VET course of study in which a VET student is enrolled. The meaning of ‘ceasing to provide a VET course of study’ is set out in the VET Guidelines. A copy of these is available from:


2. In the event that Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ceases to provide a VET course of study in which a VET student is enrolled the VET student is entitled to a choice of:

   a) an offer of a place in a similar VET course of study with a Second Provider without any requirement to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (this is known as the “VET Course Assurance Option”);

   OR

   b) a refund of their up-front VET tuition fee payments and/or a re-crediting of any FEE-HELP balance for any VET unit of study that the VET student was enrolled or commences but does not complete because Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ceases to provide the VET course of study of which the unit forms part (this is known as the “VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option”)

3. Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech has met the VET tuition assurance requirements as specified in the VET Guidelines 2013 through its current membership of the Tafe Directors Australia (TDA) ASTAS-VET.

Contact details for the Tafe Directors Australia Administrator are:

National Secretariat| Sydney
Turner Hall (Building B) - Ultimo College|
Cnr Mary Ann and Harris Streets|731-695 Harris Street|Ultimo NSW 2007|
Po Box 707, Broadway NSW 2007|
Telephone: + 61 2 9217 3180|Facsimile: + 61 2 9281 7335|Website:
www.tda.edu.au
4. If Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ceases to provide a VET course of study, TDA Administrator will send a VET student enrolled in the VET course of study a Written VET Tuition Assurance Offer (the Offer) advising the VET student of the options available under the VET tuition assurance requirements. The Offer will include directions that the VET student must follow in order to notify TDA Administrator of the choice they have made for each affected VET unit. TDA Administrator will provide this Offer within twenty Business Days after it knows, or should know by reasonable enquiries that the Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech has ceased to provide the VET course of study.

5. For the purposes of VET FEE-HELP, all courses offered by Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech in accordance with the course requirements of clause 45 of Schedule 1A of the Higher Education Support Act 2003 are covered by the TDA ASTAS-VET (‘the Scheme’) as part of Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech membership of the Scheme.

6. A VET student may choose either:

**The VET Course Assurance Option:**

7. Under the VET course assurance option, a VET student will be offered a place in a similar VET course of study by TDA Administrator. If the VET student accepts this option, TDA Administrator will make all necessary arrangements to ensure a VET student is able to enrol with the Second Provider in the similar VET course of study. This offered VET course will lead to the same or a comparable qualification without any requirement on the part of the VET student to pay the Second Provider any VET tuition fee for any replacement VET units (that is, units that the VET student had commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered). A VET student will receive full credit from the Second Provider for any VET units of study successfully completed at Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech.

8. The Second Provider nominated by TDA Administrator may have different VET tuition fees to the fees the VET student would have paid for VET units of study which were part of the VET course of study the Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech ceased to provide but which the VET student had not yet started studying.

9. A VET student is not obliged to enrol in a VET course of study with a Second Provider offered by TDA Administrator under the VET Course Assurance Option. However, if he/she enrols with any other VET provider there is no obligation on that
VET provider to offer full credit transfer for the VET units of study completed with the Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech or to offer replacement VET unit/s free of charge.

OR

**The VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option**

10. Under the VET Tuition Fee Repayment Option, TDA Administrator undertakes to pay the VET student the total of any up-front VET payments already paid by the VET student for any VET units of study the VET student has commenced but not completed because the VET course ceased to be offered. VET students selecting this option will also have their FEE-HELP balance re-credited for the uncompleted VET units.

**Publication**

The method this *Statement of VET Tuition Assurance* will be made public to VET students will be on Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech website (www.ascet.edu.au) Ascet Institute of Technology Pty Ltd T/A Ascet Tech will also advise VET students about where the *Statement of VET Tuition Assurance* may be obtained from as part of their enrolment information.