

Senate Standing Committee on Economics
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION

TOPIC: Dr Clark – Conflict of Interest

REFERENCE: Written Question –Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: AI-82

At the beginning of how many Board meetings has Dr Clark declared and/or had documented any potential conflict of interest both generally and relating to an item to be considered at the meeting? If there have been any such instances, on what date(s) has this happened in each case – and what have been the subjects to which these conflicts of interest have respectively related?

ANSWER

Declarations are received at the beginning of meetings, during meetings and between meetings and included in the Declarations Register. Since 1 January 2008, Dr Clark has declared and had documented on two occasions changes to her standing declarations at the beginning of a Board meeting. These amendments did not necessarily relate to the matters before the Board at that meeting but were made at the commencement of the meeting. Refer also to the answer to question AI-83.

| Meeting Date | Amendment declared to standing declarations |
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| 8 Dec 2011 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Directorship of the private company, Ballantyne Holdings Pty Ltd• Membership of the Prime Minister’s Taskforce on Manufacturing |
| 28 Apr 2010 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Appointed to the Advisory Board of Bank of America Merrill Lynch |