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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Sustainable Research Excellence

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: AI-95

Has any modelling been undertaken to determine how universities outside the Group of Eight have been/will be affected by the freeze on Sustainable Research Excellence Grants? Please detail.

ANSWER:

Funding for SRE is allocated to Higher Education providers (HEPs) according to set formulae that are driven by HEPs' relative performance in attracting Australian Competitive Grant income and moderated by their performance in research excellence and research management. While some internal modeling has been undertaken on the sector as a whole, it is not possible to provide detailed modeling that would accurately predict SRE funding allocations to individual HEPs or cohorts for future years in advance of performance data.