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TOPIC: Licence Arrangement Ultra-Battery

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Senator MILNE: What income have we earned from these license arrangements to date on the ultra battery?

Dr Clark: We are still a long way from full commercialisation. As you can imagine, with batteries, there is safety testing, testing in different markets and an evaluation of that. In terms of where we are at on that road map, we have produced test batteries that are suitable for automotive and renewable energy and are in the process of testing those, and our partners are looking at potential markets and potential scaling up of that technology. We can certainly provide some details of the time lines on those road maps in different markets.

ANSWER

CSIRO expects to receive \$US500,000 (life to date) in licensing income from the Ultrabattery by the end of the current financial year.