

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

**TOPIC:** CHIEF SCIENTIST

**REFERENCE:** Written Question - Senator Colbeck

**QUESTION No.:** SI-92

1. Aside from his appointment as Chief Scientist, to what other government positions (on boards and advisory committees and so forth) has Professor Chubb been appointed since November 2007?
2. Has any formal training been provided to Professor Chubb to date as Chief Scientist? If yes, what has been the nature of that training; on what date(s) was it provided; and what has been the financial cost?
3. In what forms (and on what dates) has Professor Chubb directly provided his written views and advice to Minister(s) and/or the Prime Minister to date on the science surrounding climate change?

**ANSWERS**

1. Professor Chubb was appointed to the CSIRO Board from 2008 as well as participating in the selection panel leading to the appointment of Professor Sackett as Chief Scientist in September 2008. Professor Chubb's ex-officio roles commenced as at the date of his appointment as Chief Scientist (23 May 2011). A list of Professor Chubb's appointments is at **Attachment A**.
2. No.
3. No written advice has been provided to Minister(s) and/or the Prime Minister on the science surrounding climate change.

**ATTACHMENT A**

**PROFESSOR CHUBB'S MEMBERSHIP AND EX-OFFICIO ROLES**

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Period</b>
Board Member - Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)	7 August 2008 to 6 August 2012
<b>Ex-officio roles as Chief Scientist</b>	
Prime Minister's Science Engineering and Innovation Council	23 May 2011- ongoing
Defence Science & Technology Organisation Advisory Board (DSTO)	23 May 2011- ongoing
Education Investment Fund Advisory Board (EIF)	23 May 2011- ongoing
Rural Research and Development Council	23 May 2011- ongoing
Forum of Australian Chief Scientists	23 May 2011- ongoing
PM Science Prizes Committee	23 May 2011- ongoing
Commonwealth State and Territory Advisory Council on Innovation (CSTACI)	23 May 2011- ongoing
National Research Infrastructure Council (NRIC)	23 May 2011- ongoing
National Science Colloquium	24 May 2011- ongoing
Review of Health and Medical Research in Australia (one day participation for development of ToR for Expert Panel)	4 July 2011
APS200 Steering Committee for the project "the Place of Science in Policy Development in the Public Service"	12 July 2011- ongoing
National Climate Change Science Framework - High Level Consultative Group (independent adviser)	14 July 2011- ongoing
Ministerial Advisory Council on Regional Australia (MAC)	5 August 2011- ongoing
Research Investment Committee (this replaced the Focusing Australia's Publicly Funded Research Review: Expert Reference Group)	3 November 2011- ongoing
International Education Advisory Council	Started November 2011
Joint South Australian Cancer Research Committee (SACRC)	Starts October 2012
<b>Completed roles</b>	
Focusing Australia's Publicly Funded Research Review: Expert Reference Group	23 May to 15 July 2011
Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR) funding strategy development group Chair	14 September to 26 October 2011