

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 3

Output Group: 3.2 – Assistance for science collaboration and innovation.

DEST Question No. E1109_06

Senator Stephens provided in writing.

Refers to DEST Question No. E1110_06.

Question:

Was consideration given to the number of existing appointees on the Board with energy or oil backgrounds, e.g. Deborah O'Toole and Brian Keane? How does the CSIRO justify having 4 of the 9 Board members (excluding the CEO) from energy or oil backgrounds?

Answer:

CSIRO Board Appointments

Appointments to the CSIRO Board are based on merit, with both appointees possessing a mix of appropriate high level skills. See also the response to question E1110_06.