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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Outcome: CSIRO
Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

National collections

What performance measures are used internally to evaluate the work and value of the national collections?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

National collections

The performance of the national collections is assessed on the basis of:

- Contribution to the field of taxonomic research nationally and internationally as indicated by peer reviewed scientific output;
- Contribution to broader research fields, as evidenced by involvement in research projects on other research programs or externally to CSIRO; and
- Relevance as indicated by the level of use of the collections both internally to CSIRO and externally.