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**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome: CSIRO
Output Group: CSIRO

DEST Question No. E198_04

Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003.

Question:

At current charter rates of c.\$30,000-33,000 per day, that lost 50 days suggests a funding shortfall of about \$1.5-1.65 million annually

- (a) How is that going to be made up?
- (b) What effect will this have on your capacity to fund the maintenance and operations of the ship?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Southern Surveyor – time at sea

- (a) There are no “lost” charter days, and no funding shortfall. The day rate is calculated on a full cost-recovery basis.
- (b) Not applicable.