

**EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING**

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

**Outcome:** CSIRO  
**Output Group:** CSIRO

**DEST Question No. E244\_04**

Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003.

**Question:**

A number of science commentators have suggested that this Institute model has shown no advantages over the former DSIR model, but with a set of new disadvantages. What is your opinion?

Do you think that the model of having to compete competitively for their funding from a central pool is a good idea, applicable to CSIRO?

**Answer:**

CSIRO has provided the following response.

*DSIR New Zealand*

It is not appropriate for CSIRO to express opinions on decisions made by overseas governments.