

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

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

#### **DEST Question No. E216\_05**

Senator Carr asked on 2 June 2004, EWRE Hansard page 75.

#### **Question:**

Senator Carr: [Re Textile and Fibre Technology] Has the division been involved in CRC bids?

#### **Answer:**

CSIRO has provided the following response.

*Textile and Fibre Technology – Involvement in CRC bids.*

CSIRO Textile and Fibre Technology (TFT) has a long history of involvement in the CRC program, dating back to the CRC for Premium Quality Wool (1993-2000), in which TFT played a major role in the fibre properties, fibre formation and processing performance program.

TFT also runs the post harvest processing research program within the Australian Cotton CRC (1999 – present). This work forms the basis of TFT's involvement in the current round CRC bid for Cotton Catchment Communities. TFT will be a core partner in this bid and play a key role in Program 4: Adding Value to Cotton Production. The Division also has a small involvement in the current CRC bid for Advanced Automotive Technology, with a possible 0.5 FTE commitment if the bid is successful, although this is dependent on the final agreed projects for the CRC.

TFT was also the lead Division in an unsuccessful bid in 2000 for a CRC for Technical Textiles and has had a relatively small involvement in the Sheep CRC since its commencement in 1999.