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Senator Milne asked on 30 May 2007, EWRE Hansard page 69.

Question:

Senator Milne – Is there any work being done on carbon emissions and the differences in carbon emissions from chemical agriculture and organic agriculture in terms of future emissions assessments?

Dr Robertson – I can take that on notice, but I think my colleague Steve Morton here would have some information.

Dr Morton – The answer is almost certainly yes, but for the purposes of accuracy it would be best if we came back to you with an answer on notice.

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Agricultural Carbon Emissions

CSIRO is not currently undertaking any work that directly addresses the differences in carbon emissions between chemical and organic agricultural management systems. However, CSIRO is doing significant work on carbon emissions in various areas of land management research.