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

Outcome: CSIRO
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Senator Carr asked on 5 November 2003.

Question:

Has a report and recommendations been made to the Ministers. If so, when?

When will the content of the report be made public?

When would you expect the recommendations within the report to be implemented?

What has been the total cost of the review?

Will these costs be recouped from industry? If so, what industries and how?

Is the review restricted solely to research involving grains?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Review of plant research biosecurity protocols

CSIRO assumes these questions refer to the review of plant research biosecurity protocols conducted by Dr John Radcliffe and commissioned by Ministers Truss and McGauran.

CSIRO notes that the report and the response, including implementation plans, are now publicly available on the DAFF website at:

<http://www.affa.gov.au/content/publications.cfm?ObjectID=C8E8FE72-EEE4-4E6C-95B89B0203B2B90D>

CSIRO was not responsible for the commissioning or conduct of this review and therefore cannot comment on its cost or the recouping of costs from industry.

CSIRO understands that the review examined the biosecurity of plant and related material in the context of research.