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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome:3Output Group:3.2 – Assistance for science collaboration and innovation

DEST Question No. E653_06

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

Please provide an update on the Chief Scientist vacancy. When is it expected to be filled? Will it continue to be part-time? What are the remuneration costs for the Chief Scientist?

Answer:

Chief Scientist Vacancy

An announcement about the appointment of a new Chief Scientist is expected shortly. The appointment is expected to be part-time. The remuneration for the Chief Scientist is set by the Remuneration Tribunal and as at July 2005 was \$102,760 per annum for two days per week.