

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: CSIRO

Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Webber provided in writing.

Question:

If CSIRO's performance in the forthcoming year does not reach the targeted projections, who is responsible?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Responsibility for CSIRO's Performance in forthcoming year

CSIRO's performance is not based solely on its ability to achieve projected external earnings. The overriding performance of the organisation is based on its ability 'to carry out scientific research for the purpose of assisting Australian industry, furthering the interests of the Australian community and contributing to the achievement of national objectives' as outlined in the *Science and Industry Research Act 1949*. The responsibility for achieving this rests with the organisation's Executive Team.