

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

**TOPIC:** CRC Program Funding Eligibility

**REFERENCE:** Question on Notice (Hansard, 3 June 2014, page 10)

**QUESTION No.:** BI-54

**Senator KIM CARR:** The question was: how many of these are eligible for re-funding? Depending on the number of years an organisation has been funded, there are restrictions on whether they are able to make an application. Is that correct?

**Ms Launder:** That is correct.

**Senator KIM CARR:** How many of these five would be ineligible to apply for funding?

**Ms Launder:** Can I take that question on notice?

**Senator KIM CARR:** Okay. From memory, they would all be eligible because they have only had one round—the composite CRC. I do not think the seafood CRC has had too many rounds. Greenhouse gases—

**Senator Ronaldson:** You may well be right, but the officer has taken the question on notice as to how many are eligible. Your view will be confirmed, or otherwise, in the fullness of time.

**ANSWER**

All five Cooperative Research Centres (CRCs) due to complete their funding term by the end of the 2014-15 financial year are eligible to apply providing they meet the eligibility criteria in accordance with the CRC Program Guidelines which are available on [business.gov.au](http://business.gov.au) at [www.business.gov.au/grants-and-assistance/Collaboration/CRC/about-the-program/Pages/program-guidelines.aspx](http://www.business.gov.au/grants-and-assistance/Collaboration/CRC/about-the-program/Pages/program-guidelines.aspx).