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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Staffing – Cooperative Research Centres

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QUESTION No.: SI-109

1. How many staff in total are employed directly by CRCs (both FTE and head count)? How many additional jobs are dependent on CRCs (for example, employees in CRC partner organisations)?
2. Please describe the process for assessing the Innovative Manufacturing CRC, which submitted its proposal on 2 June 2014. When can a decision be expected on this proposal?

ANSWER

1. The Department does not collect data on the number of staff employed by or dependent on Cooperative Research Centres (CRCs).
2. The proposal was assessed in accordance with the CRC Programme Guidelines by the CRC Committee and subject matter experts. A decision will be made in due course.