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TOPIC: R&D Criteria

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QUESTION No.: AI-14

Can the Department provide a breakdown of the financial impact on R&D investment in Australia of changes to the R&D criteria in respect of each of the following:

- a) The requirement for companies to have both considerable novelty and high levels of technical risk?
- b) The requirement that supporting activities be for the dominant purpose of supporting core activities?
- c) The requirement that certain supporting activities are now excluded from R&D support?

ANSWER

The Department of Treasury is responsible for the modelling of this program. Any questions relating to modelling or costings must be referred to the Treasury portfolio.