

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

**TOPIC:** Cooperative Research Centres Program

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Abetz

**QUESTION No.** BI-44

Will the Weeds CRC be closing? If so, on what date?

**ANSWER**

Yes. The CRC for Australian Weed Management is due to close on 31 December 2008 having had its Commonwealth Agreement extended by six months to ensure the continuity of weeds research while the Government's new *National Weeds Research and Productivity* program is established.