## **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Innovation, Industry, Science and Research Portfolio

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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION

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**QUESTION No.:** BI-76

Does CSIRO undertake any work for the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism on biofuels policy? And, if so, what is the nature of that work?

## **ANSWER**

CSIRO informs DRET in regard to advances in the science and technology of biofuels and the sustainability of future biomass supplies that could be used for biofuels production. CSIRO conducts briefings on these subjects from time to time with DRET and other government departments.

CSIRO has conducted two forums related to transport fuels in Australia, the Future Fuels Forum and the Sustainable Aviation Fuels Road Map (SAFRM) and made these reports publicly available to contribute to the wider debate about the options for fuels in Australia, including biofuels <a href="http://www.csiro.au/science/Sustainable-Aviation-Fuels-Road-Map.html">http://www.csiro.au/science/Sustainable-Aviation-Fuels-Road-Map.html</a>