Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing 2012-13

17 October 2012

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: COMMONWEALTH SCIENTIFIC AND INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH ORGANISATION (CSIRO)

TOPIC: Correction of evidence

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: SI-78

Does CSIRO have any intention of correcting the Hansard record from the Estimates hearing in May in relation to Mr Roy's comments about Comcare's report into a former CSIRO employee?

ANSWER

The CSIRO has previously provided a letter to the Economics Legislation Committee dated 24 October 2012 signed by Mr Brett Walker outlining the CSIRO's position on this matter.

For clarification Mr Roy made reference to a draft Comcare report. The wording in the draft report (page 7) is as follows:

"I found no evidence of system deficiencies or a culture within the CSIRO or specifically within the Entomology Division that enabled or promoted bullying type behaviour."

This identical quote was in the final report (page 6).