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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: CSIRO

Output Group: CSIRO

DEST Question No. E970_06

Senator Webber provided in writing.

Question:

Where do you draw the line on defending IP?

How much is too much?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Defending Intellectual Property

CSIRO's policy on patent assertion and defence is as follows. CSIRO creates high quality intellectual property and as part of its business CSIRO actively encourages the utilization of the results of this research in industry and communities, both nationally and globally. Decisions about defence and assertion activities by CSIRO are made on a case-by-case basis, and also take into account CSIRO's contractual obligations.