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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: CSIRO Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Carr asked on 4 June 2003.

Question:

Dr Sharmane MacRae

- (a) What position does Dr Sharmane MacRae occupy in CSIRO Forest and Forest Products Division?
- (b) When was she appointed?
- (c) Was her appointment in strict conformity with CSIRO and public service guidelines?
- (d) What were her previous commercial roles prior to joining CSIRO?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Dr Sharmane MacRae

- (a) Dr Sharmane MacRae is one of six Centre of Excellence Directors in CSIRO Forestry and Forest Products. Dr MacRae is Director for the Forests of Tomorrow Centre of Excellence.
- (b) Dr MacRae was appointed on 1 July 2002.
- (c) Dr MacRae was appointed in accordance with CSIRO's recruitment policies. CSIRO is not subject to APS guidelines applicable to those departments and agencies staffed under the Public Service Act 1999.
- (d) Prior to joining CSIRO (CSIRO Forestry and Forest Products), Dr MacRae's most recent roles were senior positions with Stora Enso in Sweden, and State Forests of New South Wales (SFNSW up until 30 June 2002). These were research and development roles not commercial ones.