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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE – QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

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Senator Carr asked on 1 June 2005, EWRE Hansard pages 50 and 51.

Question:

Senator Carr: Thank you for your frankness there; that is good. You are saying that is about a \$1.4 million transfer. Is that what you said before?

Dr Johnson: If you include the staff who are going to Entomology that would obviously increase that figure. The number you originally raised related to the staff who were potentially surplus. Again I can get you actual numbers if you would like that. That is not a problem.

Senator Carr: If you could please.

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Actual number of staff being transferred or possibly redundant from CSIRO Sustainable Ecosystems

The investment by CSIRO Sustainable Ecosystems in positions which have been identified as potentially redundant amounts to \$1.14million in salaries per annum.

The Division invests \$585k salary per annum in staff who have been asked to transfer from Canberra to North Queensland. In addition, salary investment of \$724k will be transferred from Sustainable Ecosystems to CSIRO Entomology when six staff transfer between Divisions on 1 July 2005.

This makes the total investment in CSIRO Sustainable Ecosystems staff who are potentially redundant, transferring between sites and transferring between divisions approximately \$2.449 million.