

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: CSIRO
Output Group: CSIRO

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

The Minister for Education's media release of 10 May 2005, titled "\$68.5 MILLION FOR NEW FACILITIES AT CSIRO," stated: "Consolidating the two CSIRO Divisions at Clayton will promote more collaborative research and reduce current operating costs."

What will happen to Atmospheric Research's existing site?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Co-location of Divisions at Clayton – Atmospheric Research existing site

CSIRO owns in Freehold Title a 1.87 hectare site located in Aspendale, Victoria. Following the construction and relocation of staff to the new facility at Clayton in 2009, the Aspendale site will be sold on the open market. Projected sale revenue will be retained by CSIRO and used to offset the capital cost of the proposed new facilities at Clayton.