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Dear everyone,

Minister Hunt has warmly welcomed our recent establishment of the Climate Science Centre, and is keen to see the broader research community support the centre as a collaboration hub. Our Minister is dedicating his early days to understanding our strategy and enhancing it by contributing his deep understanding of the entire system. It's great to see that Minister Hunt has a great personal interest in CSIRO.

I have been working closely with our Minister, the Bureau of Meteorology, and our O&A and L&W teams, alongside Alex and Hazel to further develop the Centre, and ensure that it supports our strategy of boosting Australia's prosperity and wellbeing. The Centre will help protect the marine and atmospheric environment and contribute to a safe, well prepared and responsive society, in deeper collaboration with Australia's 42 universities.

The 15 new members of Team CSIRO involving a \$37 million injection in climate science over the next ten years, was announced by our Minister and will focus on seasonal and decadal climate forecasting, which adds a new capability to our world-leading climate research. Steve Rintoul will be the Centre's interim leader until we have completed the international recruitment process - Steve impressed me last year when I attended his talk on eastern Antarctica, with his tenacity in pushing through the ice despite tough conditions. Steve originally seeded the idea of the Centre in an email to me earlier this year.

CSIRO's unique role will connect this science to decision-makers across agriculture, energy, water, health, financial and other sectors to help them navigate global change. We can only achieve this goal by collaborating closely with other institutions in Australia and around the world. We want to make the Centre yet another exemplar of the "Collaboration Hub" pillar of Strategy 2020.

We have a passionate and dedicated Minister, as you can see in today's speech (which will be available [here](#) shortly). Thanks to everyone in Team CSIRO who has worked tirelessly across the organisation to navigate us through this storm, to calmer waters ahead.

Regards,
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