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Dear Minister,

On behalf of the members of the CSIRO Staff Association, congratulations on your recent appointment as Minister for Industry and Science and re-election as the Member for Chifley.

Your friendship and support over many years for CSIRO employees and Staff Association members is well-known and most appreciated, as is your keen policy interest in industry, innovation and technology policy.

As the Staff Association is a founding member of Science and Technology Australia, please accept our thanks for your gracious comments made earlier this month at the gala dinner recognising the efforts of science industry workers and researchers.

Under the previous Coalition Government, CSIRO suffered record funding and job cuts, leading to the loss of one-in-five positions. Subsequent restrictions to Average Staffing Levels (ASL) stymied any recovery in job numbers and post-pandemic the organisation's employment levels remain well below budgeted projections.

The Staff Association would welcome any opportunity to be consulted should you elect to revise the Government's Statement of Expectations for CSIRO, a process in which we last participated during 2016, at the invitation of the then Minister Hunt.

Any chance to meet with you as Minister for Industry and Science, at your convenience, would be gratefully accepted. Your office can contact me by emailing [susan.tonks@cpsu.org.au](mailto:susan.tonks@cpsu.org.au) or by calling (03) 8620 6325. Congratulations again on your appointment.

Yours Sincerely,



**Susan Tonks**  
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