Composites CRC gets new life

MELBOURNE – The new Cooperative Research Centre for Advanced Composite Structures, known as the Composites CRC, has been launched by the Minister for Science, Peter McGauran.

The new Centre is one of only six CRCs, and the only one in manufacturing, to be supported by the Commonwealth Government to continue into a third seven-year term.

The Composites CRC is incorporated with 11 members of which eight are core participants and three are supporting participants.

The activities of the Centre cover research, education, commercialisation and technology transfer in the areas of aerospace, maritime and general composite structures.

The major industry participant is Hawker de Havilland.

The Platforms Sciences Laboratory of the Defence Science and Technology Organisation is the major Government participant and this adds the very important role of improving defence capability in the areas of air vehicles and maritime platforms.

Shock, horror! Sharks juiced

ADELAIDE – An anti-shark technology developed by a small Australian company has been approved for service by special military forces in the United States and Australia.

The privately-owned SeaChange Technology’s electronic shark deterrents will be used to protect divers in the Australian Army’s special forces and in the US Pacific Fleet.

The approval was also meant that SeaChange’s technology will have authority for use by all NATO forces.

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Politics deters chopper selection

WASHINGTON – The US Navy is delaying a $1.6 billion award for the next presidential helicopter, to defuse a sensitive competition.

Sikorsky Aircraft, a unit of United Technologies, has described its offer of the VH-92 “Superhawk” as an “all-American” solution, in contrast to a three-engine design offered by Europe’s AgustaWestland and Lockheed Martin.

The Navy for formally launched the competition for a new “Marine One” helicopter in December 2003 and planned to award an initial contract in the next couple of months for design and purchase of 23 to 25 helicopters in the next couple of months for design and purchase of 23 to 25 helicopters.

Companies hope an order will come from the Coast Guard and other agencies.

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