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Question

- 1 Since the 18 September 2013 how many non-ongoing contracts has your department/agency extended?
- 2 How many non-ongoing contract extensions did your department/agency submit the Public Service Commission for approval?
- 3 How many of these extensions were approved by the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC)?
- 4 For every approved extension please provide the following details:
 - a The employee's age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their APS classification level.
 - e Their wage.
 - f Where they are located.
 - g Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - h The length of the approved extension.
 - i The reason why the extension was submitted.
 - j The reason why the extension was approved by the APSC.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.
- 5 How many of these extensions were rejected by the APSC?
- 6 For every rejected extension please provide the following details:
 - a The employee's age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Where they were located.
 - f Their length of continuous employment at the APS.

- g The length of the extension sought by the department/agency.
 - h The reason why the extension was submitted.
 - i The reason why the extension was rejected by the APSC.
 - j Please provide all relevant dates.
- 7 Since 18 September 2013, how many non-ongoing contracts have been extended by your department/agency without the APSC's approval?
- 8 For every unapproved extension please provide the following details:
- a The employee's age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Their position's APS level classification.
 - f Where they were located.
 - g Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - h The length of the extension granted by the department/agency.
 - i The reason why the extension was granted.
 - j Whether the extension was submitted to the APSC for approval and if not why the extension was not submitted for APSC approval?
 - k The reasons why the extension was granted without the APSC's approval.
 - l Please provide all relevant dates.
- 9 Since the 18 September 2013 how many non-ongoing contracts have expired without extension?
- 10 For every non-ongoing contract that has expired without extension please provide the following details:
- a The employee's age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Their position's APS level classification.
 - f Where they were located.
 - g Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - h The reason why the extension was not sought for their position.
 - i Please provide all relevant dates.
- 11 Since the 18 September 2013 how many new employees have been engaged by your department/agency on non-ongoing contracts?
- 12 Since the 18 September 2013 how many new non-ongoing engagements were submitted to the APSC for approval?
- 13 How many of these new non-ongoing engagements were approved by the APSC?

- 14 For every approved new engagement of a non-ongoing employee please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Where their position is located.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their non-ongoing contract.
 - h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason given by the APSC for approving this engagement.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.
- 15 How many of these new non-ongoing employee applications were rejected by the Public Service Commission?
- 16 For every rejected new engagement of a non-ongoing employee please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Where their position is located.
 - e Their wage.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their non-ongoing contract.
 - h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason given by the APSC for rejecting this engagement.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.
- 17 Since 18 September 2013, how many new employees have been engaged on non-ongoing contracts without the approval of the Public Service Commission?
- 18 For every unapproved new engagement of a non-ongoing employee please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Where their position is located.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their non-ongoing contract.

- h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason for engaging this employee without the APSC's approval.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.
- 19 Since the 18 September 2013 how many new employees have been engaged by your department/agency on ongoing contracts?
- 20 Since the 18 September 2013 how many new ongoing engagements were submitted to the Public Service Commission for approval?
- 21 How many of these new ongoing engagements were approved by the Public Service Commission?
- 22 For every approved new engagement of an ongoing employee please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Their wage.
 - e Where their position is located.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their ongoing contract.
 - h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason provided by APSC for approving this engagement.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.
- 23 How many of these new ongoing employee applications were rejected by the Public Service Commission?
- 24 For every new ongoing engagement rejected by the Public Service Commission please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Where their position is located.
 - e Their wage.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their ongoing contract.
 - h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason provided by APSC for approving this engagement.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.

- 25 How many new employees have been engaged on ongoing contracts without the approval of the Public Service Commission?
- 26 For every ongoing employee engaged without the Public Service Commission's approval please provide the following details:
- a Their age.
 - b Their gender.
 - c A description of their position.
 - d Where their position is located.
 - e Their wage.
 - f Their position's APS level classification.
 - g The length of their ongoing contract.
 - h Whether their position was advertised externally.
 - i The reason for engaging this new employee.
 - j The reason for engaging this employee without the APSC permission.
 - k Please provide all relevant dates.

Answer

- 1 Nil.
- 2 The Parliamentary Budget Office (PBO) is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for extensions.
- 3 Not applicable.
- 4 Not applicable.
- 5 Not applicable.
- 6 Not applicable.
- 7 The PBO is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for extensions.
- 8 Not applicable.
- 9 Nil.
- 10 Not applicable.
- 11 Nil.
- 12 The PBO is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for engagements.
- 13 Not applicable.

- 14 Not applicable.
- 15 Not applicable.
- 16 Not applicable.
- 17 The PBO is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for engagements.
- 18 Not applicable.
- 19 For the period 18 September 2013 to 31 May 2014, the PBO engaged three ongoing employees.
- 20 The PBO is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for engagements.
- 21 Not applicable.
- 22 Not applicable.
- 23 Not applicable.
- 24 Not applicable.
- 25 The PBO is part of the Parliamentary Service and is not required to seek the approval of the Australian Public Service Commission for engagements.
- 26 Not applicable.