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## **EY Senate Committee Response**

Dear Sir/Madam

I refer to your email dated 4 May 2015 in which you have asked two additional questions as set out below.

1. *How many new staff has Ernst & Young hired across their Australian operations from the ATO since 1 January 2014?*
2. *How many staff have left Ernst & Young to commence employment at the ATO since 1 January 2014?*

We do not systematically collect and record the details of previous employers for people who join EY or future employers for the people who leave EY.

In an effort to provide some information in response to the Senate Committee's questions we have reviewed our personnel details for the period from 1 January 2014 to the present.

It is likely that anyone who has joined EY from the Australian Taxation Office will have joined the Tax Service Line. It is also likely that anyone who has left us to join the Australian Taxation Office will have been in the Tax Service Line before they left. We have therefore focused our review on the Tax Service Line.

EY currently employs 1168 full time employees in the Tax Service Line. Our review showed that in total 285 people joined the EY Tax Service Line during the period. Of these 130 were graduates who joined us directly from university. The review also shows that 204 people left the EY Tax Service Line during the period.

As noted above we do not collect information about previous or future employers of our people. However we have made some inquiries of our Human Resource managers and based upon available information we have identified 1 individual who left the EY Tax Service Line and joined the Australian Taxation Office during the period. We have also identified 2 people who have joined the EY Tax Service Line from the Australian Taxation Office during the period.

Because we do not collect the information about past and future employers it is possible that additional relevant people might exist whom we have not identified. However we do not believe that there would be a material number of additional relevant people.

I trust that this information is helpful.

Yours truly

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Partner