Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 89

Program 1.1

Hansard Ref: Written

Topic: Staffing recruitment

Senator Ludwig, Joe asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?
- 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?
- 3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

- 1. One ongoing SES Band 2.
- 2. Including casual positions, a total of 22 non-ongoing positions existed at 30 April 2014 increasing to 31 at 31 October 2014, as shown in the table below:

Classification	At 30/04/2014	At 31/10/2014
APS1	1	0
APS3	0	3
APS4	4	8
APS5	1	0
APS6	2	5
EL1	8	6
EL2	4	7
SESB1	1	1
SESB3	1	1
Total	22	31

3. From 30 April 2014 to 31 October 2014, 19 employees have been employed on non-ongoing contracts and the average length of their employment period is 1.6 months.