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**Senator Lines asked:**

**Senator LINES:** Do you have any non-ongoing staff?

**Mr Slatyer:** Yes.

**Senator LINES:** How many?

**Mr Slatyer:** I would have to take that on notice. There are very few at the moment.

**Senator LINES:** Is that included in that FTE?

**Mr Slatyer:** The funded FTE is the resources available to the division to pay staff salaries and associated costs. So we have enough funding in the division to pay for an average, if you like, of 137 full-time-equivalent staff. That is our resourcing. So that does not necessarily mean that we have 137 people sitting there. As I said, the current head count in the division is 126. These numbers are all at 30 September.

**Senator LINES:** But some of whom may be non-ongoing?

**Mr Slatyer:** On my current advice, we have three non-ongoing staff.

**Senator LINES:** Out of the 126?

**Mr Slatyer:** Yes.

**Senator LINES:** When do those contracts finish up?

**Mr Slatyer:** I will have to take that on notice. I do not know the termination date of those engagements.

**Answer:**

There are two non-ongoing staff members in the Water Division. These contracts will cease in mid-January 2015.