Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Fair Work Commission

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000685

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWC - Communication staff

1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:

2. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.

3. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location

4. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location

5. How many are graphic designers?

6. How many are media managers?

7. How many organise events?

Have these arrangements changed since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015? If yes, please detail.

Answer

1-2. The Fair Work Commission currently has two ongoing staff undertaking tasks in relation to public relations, communications and media who are both located in Melbourne. There is one Manager of Media and Communications (0.9 FTE) at an EL2 level and one Media and Communications Officer at APS5 level.

The primary functions for these staff members include: media relations, stakeholder engagement, digital communications, internal communications, strategic communications, speechwriting, industry education, branding, marketing for Fair Work Commission and Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal.

3. The Fair Work Commission currently has one non-ongoing Senior Media and Communications Officer at APS6 level who is located in Melbourne.

This staff member's primary functions include: media relations, stakeholder engagement, digital communications, internal communications, strategic communications, speechwriting, industry education, branding, marketing and social media for Fair Work Commission and Road Safety Remuneration Tribunal.

4. The Fair Work Commission does not have any contractors undertaking media, publications or communications work.

5. No staff member is designated to graphic design only.

6. No staff member is designated to media management only. All media management activities are undertaken by members of the Media and Communications Team as set out in answers to questions 2 and 3, above.

7. No staff member is designated to organising events only.

There have been no changes to these arrangements since 14 September 2015.