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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Senator: Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: According to the timeline the build for the OPVs will not start until 2018. You referenced that. Do you have the capacity to sustain your shipbuilding workforce until then?

Mr Lamarre: The OPV is the only program that has been announced that will affect our workforce between now and 2018. Those 640 jobs that we talked about, irrespective of OPV, will be reduced.

Senator WONG: Can you tell me how many of those would be in each of the categories we discussed?

Mr Lamarre: We would have to take that on notice. Is that something you would like us to do?

Senator WONG: I am trying to get a sense of direct employees, contractors et cetera. I think the categories you used in a previous answer—so that would be useful, thank you.

Answer:

It is expected that until the start of the Offshore Patrol Vessels (OPV) project, reductions in required staffing levels will come from both direct employee and contractor positions, as previously advised to the Committee.

ASC is currently developing a resource forecast plan for 2017 based on operational demands. As that work is currently ongoing, we do not have a current break down of employment type (permanent/contractor) or role type (production/engineer/support).