Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Agency - Fair Work Commission

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000717

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

FWC - Departmental Staff Misconduct

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

- 1. Please provide a copy of the departmental staff code of conduct.
- 2. Have there been any identified breaches of this code of conduct by departmental staff?
- 1. If yes, list the breaches identified, broken by staffing classification level.
- 2. If yes, what remedy was put in place to manage the breach? If no remedy has been put in place, why not?
- 3. If yes, when was the breach identified? By whom? When was the Minister made aware?
- 4. If yes, were there any legal ramifications for the department or staff member? Please detail.

Answer

For the period since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September 2015:

- 1. The Fair Work Commission does not have an agency specific code of conduct. Fair Work Commission staff are bound by the APS Code of Conduct.
- 2. There have been no identified breaches of the APS Code of Conduct between 14 September 2015 and 31 January 2016.
- 3-4. Not applicable.