

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Agency - Asbestos Safety & Eradication Agency

Department of Employment Question No. EM0108_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

ASEA - New ongoing contracts

1. How many new employees have been engaged by your department on ongoing contracts since the 2013 federal election? 2. How many new ongoing engagements were submitted to the Public Service Commission for approval since the 2013 federal election? 3. How many of these new ongoing engagements were approved by the Public Service Commission? a. For every approved new engagement of a ongoing employee please provide the following details: the employee's age, gender, wage, APS level, a description of their job, the length of their ongoing contract, whether this position was advertised externally, the reason for engaging this new employee and the reason given by the Public Service Commission for approving this engagement, as well as all relevant dates relating to this application. 4. How many of these new ongoing employee applications were rejected by the Public Service Commission? a. For every new ongoing engagement rejected by the Public Service Commission please provide the following details: APS level, a description of their job, the length of their ongoing contract, the reason for engaging the new employee and the reason given by the Public Service Commission for rejecting this engagement, as well as all relevant dates relating to this application. 5. How many new employees have been engaged on ongoing contracts without the approval of the Public Service Commission? For every ongoing employee engaged without the Public Service Commission's approval please provide the following details: the employee's age, gender, wage, APS level, a description of their job, the length of their ongoing contract, whether this position was advertised externally, the reason for engaging this new employee and the reason for engaging this employee without the Public Service Commission's approval, as well as all relevant dates.

Answer

The Asbestos Safety and Eradication Agency Act 2013 prescribes the constitution of the Agency as a Chief Executive Officer and staff of the Agency.

As at 24 June 2014, the Agency had one Chief Executive Officer. No staff had been engaged directly by the agency as the provisions for the Agency to engage staff were not yet in place.

Staff are employed by the Department and seconded to the Agency. For information about recruitment, refer to EM0529_15 and EM0528_15.