Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Ouestion:

1) Which units within PM&C are responsible for deregulation?

- 2) How many staff are in each of these units?
- 3) For each of these units, provide a breakdown by classification.
- 4) What is the total amount of departmental expenses in PM&C allocated for the Deregulation function?
- 5) Are there any administered expenses allocated in PM&C for the Deregulation function? If so, provide details of that.

Answer:

The Regulatory Reform Division is responsible for regulatory reform policy and regulatory impact assessment in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C).

As at 29 February 2016, the Regulatory Reform Division had 37 staff classified as follows:

Classification	Staff	Classification	Staff	Classification	Staff	Classification	Staff
SES Band 2	1	EL2	10	APS 6	5	APS 4	3
SES Band 1	3	EL1	10	APS 5	4	APS 2	1

In 2015-16, \$7.4m of departmental expenses are allocated to the Regulatory Reform Division. No administered expenses are allocated to the Division.

The PM&C Regulatory Reform Unit in Financial Services Division implements the Government's regulatory reform agenda for specific PM&C portfolio responsibilities (including Indigenous Affairs). Further information about the Regulatory Reform Unit is provided in response to PM149, Red Tape Reduction.