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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Senator: Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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Question:

- 1) Is there a separate payroll process for these employees to monitor their different pay and conditions?
- 2) What cost was there in establishing separate payroll operations for the department of PM&C? How long have those operations been in place for?

Answer:

- 1) The employees pay and conditions are monitored through the Aurion Human Resources Management Information System (Aurion). Employees are identified based on the Enterprise Agreement that applies to them.
- 2) The cost of establishing separate payroll operations within Aurion has been absorbed within existing resources. Employees were established on PM&C's payroll as part of their transfer to the Department.