

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings November 2013

Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 225

Program No. NBN Co

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Staffing reductions

Senator Ludwig asked:

- a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from 7 September 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?
- b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
- c) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
- d) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
- e) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.

Answer:

- a) 2 staff positions were made redundant from 7 September 2013 to 19 November 2013. These staff were classified as permanent employees.
- b) Both redundancies were involuntary. The redundancies occurred as a result of a reorganisation of a business unit.
- c) There are no current plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies.
- d) There are no current plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies.
- e) There are no plans for involuntary redundancies.