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**Senator BERNARDI-Mr Mrdak, I would like to take you to the skills and responsibilities loading which is contained in the annual report. It says:**

**Where staff are required to perform duties at a higher level over an extended period, staff may be paid a skills and responsibilities loading for taking on additional responsibilities.**

**How many staff were paid that loading in this current financial year?**

**Mr Mrdak-I would have to check and come back to you. I will try to do that as quickly as possible.**

**Answer:** For the financial year 2008-09 to 31 May 2009, 37 PM&C staff have received skills and responsibility loading for taking on additional responsibilities.