

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings 2006-2007, 30 October 2006**

**Question: PM 38**

**Outcome 1, Output 1**

**Topic: Office of Water Resources**

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**Senator Stephens asked:**

- a) **Have any staff members have been seconded to OWR? If so, at what levels? What is the duration of the secondments?**
- b) **Since the announcement of the OWR, has any staff member taken LWOP under the Public Service Act 1999 Advice No. 34: Prime Minister's Public Service Directions 1999 to work in the Parliamentary Secretary's office?**

**Answer:**

- a) **One Executive Level 1 officer seconded to PM&C until mid December 2006 moved to OWR when it was established. A second Executive Level 1 officer seconded to PM&C until June 2007 also moved to OWR on establishment.**
- b) **No.**