## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

### WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice; Public Employment; Children and Families; and Correctional Services

# Ministerial Communications, Staffing and Certificates of Exemption

- 1. For all departments, agencies and authorities you are responsible for, please detail as of 1 July 2013 and as of 1 July 2014:
  - a. total staffing numbers

As of 31 March 2014, the Department of Children and Families total staffing number was 640.29 FTE.

b. total staffing numbers by FTE

As of 31 March 2014, the Department of Children and Families total staffing number was 640.29 FTE.

c. a breakdown by classification and level

The Department of Children and Families had the following paid FTE at Pay 20 2013/14 broken down by classification and level.

Classification		
Code	Classification Description	Total
AO2	Administration Officer 2	15.28
AO3	Administration Officer 3	66.28
AO4	Administration Officer 4	73.55
AO5	Administration Officer 5	23.69
AO6	Administration Officer 6	60.54
AO7	Administration Officer 7	36.92
EO1C	Executive Officer 1 Contract	4
EO2	Executive Officer 2	1
EO2C	Executive Officer 2 Contract	7.18
EO3C	Executive Officer 3 Contract	1
EO5C	Executive Officer 5 Contract	1
P1	Professional 1	45.38
P2	Professional 2	94.42
P3	Professional 3	88.89
PH4	Physical 4	54.16
PH4R	Physical 4 - RDO	6.8
SAO1	Senior Administration Officer 1	17
SAO2	Senior Administration Officer 2	8.8

SP1	Senior Professional 1	27
SP2	Senior Professional 2	7
	Work Integrated Learning	
	Scholarship	
WILS	•	0.4
Total		640.29

d. by classification and level, the number of permanent employees

The Department of Children and Families had the following paid FTE at Pay 20 2013/14 with an employment status listed as permanent:

Classification	Total
AO2	12.28
AO3	47.53
AO4	54.86
AO5	21.69
AO6	54.54
AO7	34.92
EO2	1
P1	35.26
P2	71.18
P3	69.91
PH4	4
SAO1	16
SAO2	8.8
SP1	22.3
SP2	6
WILS	0.4
Total	460.67

e. by classification and level, the number temporary employees.

The Department of Children and Families had the following paid FTE at Pay 20 2013/14 with an employment status listed as temporary:

Classification	Total
AO2	3
AO3	17.57
AO4	18.69
AO5	2
AO6	6
AO7	2
EO1C	4
EO2C	7.18
EO3C	1
EO5C	1

P1	10.12
P2	22.21
P3	18.98
PH4	9.2
SAO1	1
SP1	4.7
SP2	1
WILS	0
Total	129.65

- 2. Have you or any of your Ministerial Staff engaged in formal or informal communications with L and B MacFarlane (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:
  - a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
  - b. What was the substance of the communications?
  - c. When did the communications take place?

#### **Answer Question 2**

Neither I nor any of my Ministerial Staff have engaged in formal or informal communications with L and B MacFarlane (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license?

- 3. Have you or any of your Ministerial staff engaged in formal or informal communications with Peter Maley (or his representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:
  - a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
  - b. What was the substance of the communications?
  - c. When did the communications take place?

## **Answer Question 3**

Neither I nor any of my Ministerial Staff have engaged in formal or informal communications with Peter Maley (or his representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? Note – DCF answer not required.

4. For each Government Agency and Authority how many Certificates of Exemption were issued in 2013/14?

Two Certificates of Exemption were issued in 2013/14 for DCF.

For each Certificate of Exemption:

a. What is the description of the goods and services contracted?

- Provision of Development, Accreditation and Delivery of Practice Leadership Skill Set
- 2. Delivery and assessment of Diploma of Child, Youth & Family Intervention to 25 learners for a Period of 12 Months
- b. What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
  - 1. \$196,920
  - 2. \$186,750
- c. Why was the Certificate of Exemption required?
  - Australian Childhood Foundation as the organisation had direct knowledge and expertise to deliver requirements, as they had previously been engaged to carry out a review of learning requirements and to construct a skill set for practice leadership in child protection, and the ICNNT had confirmed there were no NT based organisations that specialised in Practice Leadership.
  - 2. BCA National Training Group as the only NT based registered training organisation that delivered the Diploma of Child, Youth and Family Intervention qualification.
- d. Who recommended the Certificate of Exemption?

Not applicable.

e. Who approved the Certificate of exemption?

Not applicable.

- f. Who was awarded the contract?
  - 1. Australian Childhood Foundation
  - 2. BCA National Training Group