## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

## QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

## Tuesday, 25 June 2013

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the Radiation Safety Officer position/s at the Department of Mines and Petroleum, and I ask:

- 1) What is the required number of FTE Radiation Safety Officers in the department?
- 2) How many Radiation Safety Officers are there currently in the department?
- 3) For each of the positions in (1), what qualifications are considered
  - (a) Desirable?
  - (b) Essential?
- 4) Which officer/s is/are currently employed in this role, and what qualifications are held by each of the occupants of the positions in (2)?
- 5) What was the employment level of Mr Fetwadjieff, the former officer?
- 6) What is the employment level of the current incumbent/s?

## I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

- 1) There is no defined FTE number of officers with radiation experience in the Department. However, at the commencement of the Reform and Development at Resources Safety (RADARS) in 2010 there were three inspectors of mines who had radiation experience (Ivan Fetwadjieff, Alana Field and Mike Rowe).
- 2) There are currently three officers in Resources Safety Division with radiation experience.
- 3) There is also a consultant who is contracted to undertake some radiation work for the Department (Henriette Rossouw).
  - (a) Desirable qualifications include practical experience working in the resources sector.

- (b) Essential qualifications are a Bachelor of Science or other approved Bachelor Degree, plus substantial relevant radiation experience in relation to health and safety issues across the mining industry.
- 4) Dave Fleming, Mike Rowe and Alana Field are employees of the department. Henriette Rossouw is the consultant.

Each of the above individuals has an approved Bachelor Degree. Each of the individuals has either worked in the resources industry involving radiation management, or has experience in relation to health and safety issues across the mining industry.

- 5) Mr Fetwadjieff was an Inspector of Mines SCL3.
- 6) The Department is currently interviewing for a SCL4 position to replace the former SCL3 position previously held by Mr Fetwadjieff.

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