

WESTERN POWER — VALIDATION TEAM

368. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

Given answers from 7 April, I refer to the validation team within Western Power.

- (1) How many FTEs are assigned to this team, and what is the current headcount for this team?
- (2) What is the average time that an application sits with this team before proceeding to the next stage?
- (3) How many applications were submitted to the validation team for each individual month—October 2021, November 2021, December 2021, January 2022, February 2022 and March 2022?
- (4) To date, how many applications are awaiting consideration?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Energy, and I note that it was correct as at 7 April 2022.

- (1) Thirteen FTE are assigned to this team and the current head count is 11. Two vacancies are actively being recruited.
- (2) The average time in the application technical assessment stage is currently 20 business days.
- (3) The number of applications were: October 2021, 296; November 2021, 369; December 2021, 313; January 2022, 232; February 2022, 382; March 2022, 494.
- (4) Currently, there are 435 non-simple applications under consideration.