

WATER CORPORATION — SUSTAINABILITY UNIT

Question without Notice 689 — Answer Advice

HON KEN BASTON (Mining and Pastoral — Minister for Agriculture and Food) [5.08 pm]: I have an answer here for the question that was asked by Hon Robin Chapple on behalf of Hon Lynn MacLaren. That is why I was looking in Hon Lynn MacLaren's folder.

The answer is —

- (1) Yes.
- (2)
 - (a) Two permanent employees will be made redundant, one fixed-term contract will not be renewed, and a consultant will no longer be engaged.
 - (b) The permanent employees were notified on 3 June and their redundancies will take effect as of 24 June 2015. The fixed-term contract will expire on 26 June 2015 and the consultant's contract will expire on 30 June 2015.
 - (c) The functions previously performed by this team are now embedded into other areas of the Water Corporation. For example, water efficiency initiatives are delivered through regionally based regional engagement and communications officers, and centrally managed by the customer and community group. Research will continue to be coordinated across the business by the research and development manager.
 - (d) A series of rigorous, data-driven business reviews of the unit's functions took place over the last year. These reviews identified that the sustainability initiatives, principles and tools developed by the sustainability team were now embedded in the Water Corporation's everyday business.