

DEPARTMENT OF TRAINING AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT — DIRECTOR GENERAL

**1174. Hon SUE ELLERY to the Leader of the House representing the Premier:**

I refer to the appointment of the inaugural Director General of the Department of Training and Workforce Development.

- (1) When did applications for this position open and close?
- (2) Where was the position advertised?
- (3) How many applications were received?
- (4) How many applicants were interviewed?
- (5) Who was on the selection panel?

**Hon SIMON O'BRIEN replied:**

On behalf of the Leader of the House, I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Applications opened on 26 September 2009 and closed on 9 October 2009.
- (2) The position was advertised in *The West Australian* and *The Weekend Australian* and on the government jobs board. In addition to advertising, an executive search was conducted.
- (3) Fifteen applications were received.
- (4) Four applicants were interviewed.
- (5) The selection panel for the position was Mr Peter Conran, chair, Director General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet; Mr James Pearson, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce and Industry Western Australia; Dr Penny Flett, chief executive officer, Brightwater Care Group Inc; and Mr Ralph Dawson, executive director, Building and Construction Industry Training Fund.