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STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR THE 2012/13 ANNUAL REPORT HEARING

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT REGULATION HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2013

HON MARTIN ALDRIDGE MLC ASKED –

1. Referring to staffing arrangements for the new DER structure:
 - a) How many staff will be employed in enforcement or monitoring roles?
 - b) What support and training will be offered to these staff?
 - c) Can you please provide a breakdown of staffing by location across the State?

ANSWER

- a) As at 18 November 2013, a total of 164 staff are authorised under Part VI of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 to undertake enforcement activities. However, please be advised that the data is not static and is subject to change due to staff movement.
- b) The Department of Environment Regulation provides staff employed in enforcement and monitoring roles with a competency-based training program aligned to the nationally recognised Certificate IV in Government (Statutory Compliance) and Certificate IV in Government (Investigation). The Industry Regulation Officer Development Program (IRODP) incorporates e-learning modules, face-to-face workshops (in house and external), web conferencing and structured 'on the job' training to build the skills, knowledge and abilities expected of officers employed in enforcement and monitoring roles.
- c) Refer to attached table.

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STAFF AUTHORISED UNDER THE *ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986* TO UNDERTAKE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Central Region	Goldfields Region	Kimberley Region	Midwest Region	Pilbara Region	South Coast Region	South West Region	Swan Region	Wheatbelt Region	Keep Australia Beautiful Council
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