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Dear Ms Walkington Toni

2015-16 MID-YEAR REVIEW – PUBLIC SECTOR RECRUITMENT FREEZE AND **AGENCY EXPENDITURE REVIEWS**

As part of the 2015-16 Mid-Year Review the Government has announced the following initiatives which will impact Public Sector employees.

Recruitment Freeze

Cabinet has endorsed an immediate freeze on external recruitment by general government sector agencies until 30 June 2016. The immediate sector wide recruitment freeze applies to all agencies and positions across the general government sector. The objectives of the recruitment freeze are to contain the growth in salary expenditure (and assist in achieving savings measures already built into the forward estimates); and prioritise the placement of registered and registrable employees. Further information can be found at https://publicsector.wa.gov.au/newsevents/news/recruitment-freeze.

Agency Expenditure Reviews

Cabinet has decided that the following agencies will be subject to Agency Expenditure Reviews: Department of Local Government and Communities, Department of Mines and Petroleum, Department of Transport, Department of Water, Mental Health Commission and the Public Transport Authority of Western Australia. employing authorities of the affected agencies Civil Service Association coverage will provide further communication separately to this letter.

The Government would be pleased to convene a Peak Consultative Forum should you wish to meet. Please contact Sandy Newby on 6251 2143 to arrange.

Yours sincerely

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