

### Order Paper Questions

levels requested for all years. A system change was introduced in the fiscal year 1974/75 that changed the highest dollar level of reporting from over \$100,000 to over \$25,000. Also, statistical computations are completed on a fiscal rather than calendar year base; therefore available information is supplied as of a March 31 date for the years in question.

Over \$100,000	Date	Number of Accounts
	31 March/71	184
	31 March/72	220
	31 March/73	233
	31 March/74	251
Over \$25,000	31 March/75	856
	31 March/76	1093

3.	Date	Number of Accounts
	31 March/71	1368
	31 March/72	1926
	31 March/73	2806
	31 March/74	3336
	31 March/75	4058
	31 March/76	5449

4. (a)	Fiscal Year	Number of Accounts	Dollars
	1971/72	2315	\$7,788,962.49
	1972/73	2161	7,098,392.53
	1973/74	1841	7,162,120.36
	1974/75	1593	5,607,882.61
	1975/76	1874	8,072,739.53

(b)	Fiscal Year	Number of Accounts	Dollars
	1971/72	4342	\$4,915,181.90
	1972/73	6481	8,840,210.74
	1973/74	6796	5,146,596.88
	1974/75	4540	5,100,804.38
	1975/76	4014	3,648,130.48

### GOVERNMENT AIRCRAFT

#### Question No. 1,485—Mr. Cossitt:

1. On how many occasions have Department of National Defence and/or Department of Transport aircraft been used by the Government Leader in the Senate and, in each case, what was the (a) purpose (b) point of departure and destination (c) type of aircraft (d) cost to the taxpayer?

2. What was the total cost to the taxpayer of all such trips?

3. Which trips were for (a) personal (b) political (c) government business?

**Mr. Ralph E. Goodale (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council):** See replies to questions Nos. 29 and 30 answered this day.

### GRANT QUALICON CONCRETE

#### Question No. 1,492—Mr. Dick:

1. Was a Department of Regional Economic Expansion grant made on January 3, 1974 to Qualicon Concrete of Arnprior, within the specially designated Renfrew-Pembroke area and, if so (a) prior to the grant, how many persons were employed by the company (b) how many persons are presently employed (c) who are the directors of the company (d) who owns the majority of shares in the company?

2. Is there any relationship between Qualicon Concrete and Permacon Limited of Hull, Quebec and, if so, what is the relationship?

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3. Is Qualicon Ltd. in the process of closing down or has it closed down and, if so (a) what is happening to the equipment (b) has any of the equipment been transferred to Permacon Ltd.?

4. To the knowledge of the government, does Qualicon Ltd. consider Permacon to be a continuing business?

**Mr. Ed. Lumley (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Regional Economic Expansion):** The reply for the Department of Regional Economic Expansion is as follows: 1. Yes, an offer of incentive assistance was made to the company on January 2, 1974. (a) The facility was not operating at the time the grant was made and therefore there were no employees. (b) As the plant is presently closed there are no employees. On March 6, 1975 there were 12 employees. (c) As at June 7, 1974 the directors of the company were J. R. Coone, P. Blaikie and Y. Laurin. (d) Details on the company's corporate ownership are supplied to DREE for evaluation purposes only, based on an understanding with the company that they will be treated as confidential information.

2. The company is related to Permacon Limited through common ownership.

3. The company is not operating at this time. (a) The department is advised that all equipment is on-site. (b) The department has been advised that no equipment has been transferred to Permacon Limited.

4. The government does not know whether Qualicon Limited considers Permacon Limited to be a continuing business. However, to the extent that the offer of incentive assistance to Qualicon is affected, operation of the Permacon facility in Hull, Quebec does not constitute continuance of operation of the Qualicon facility.

### PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES RECRUITED PRIVATE AGENCIES FOR POST OFFICE

#### Question No. 1,534—Mr. McKenzie:

1. Has the Post Office Department obtained (a) part-time (b) full-time employees from private employment agencies in (i) British Columbia (ii) Alberta (iii) Saskatchewan (iv) Manitoba (v) Ontario (vi) Quebec (vii) New Brunswick (viii) Nova Scotia (ix) Prince Edward Island (x) Newfoundland and, if so, in each case, how many?

2. Are such employees paid from supplementary estimates and, if not, from what estimates are they paid?

3. By province, what was the (a) average hourly rate paid to employment agencies (b) average hourly rate paid to employees (c) total amount paid by the Department in (i) 1975 (ii) 1976?

**Hon. J.-J. Blais (Postmaster General):** 1. Yes, the Post Office Department has obtained both part-time and full-time employees from private employment agencies. Permanent employees are not recruited through such agencies. (Full-time means a full working day for the period of hire. Part-time means less than a full day).

	Part-time		Full-time	
	FY 74-75	FY 75-76	FY 74-75	FY 75-76
(i) British Columbia	1	5	Nil	Nil
(ii) Alberta	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iii) Saskatchewan	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
(iv) Manitoba	Nil	Nil	Nil	10