Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates 17 October – 18 October 2012

Question: SBT 1031-1050

Topic: Contractors (ASIC)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

For this financial year to date (26 October 2012):

- 1031. Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1032. Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1033. Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1034. Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1035. Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1036. Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1037. Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1038. Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1039. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
- 1040. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

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For 2011-12:

- 1041. Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1042. Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1043. Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1044. Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1045. Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1046. Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1047. Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1048. Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
- 1049. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
- 1050. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

Answer:

- 1031-1039. In the financial year to 26 October 2012 ASIC has not employed any of the above named organisations.
- 1040. In the current financial year to 26 October 2012, ASIC has spent \$2.7m on contract staff, agency temps and staff on secondment. Contract staff are used for short term or non ongoing projects. The effort required to provide a transaction listing of events and its details would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to compile the data.

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- 1041-1049. In the financial year 2011- 2012 ASIC has not employed any of the above named organisations.
- In the financial year 2011- 2012 ASIC spent \$17.9m on contract staff, agency temps and staff on secondment. Contract staff are used for short term or non ongoing projects. The effort required to provide a transaction listing of events and its details would require an unreasonable diversion of resources to compile the data.