

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 30/31 May 2011

Question: E11-399

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: CONTRACTORS

Written Question on Notice

Senator Boyce asked:

Has the Department/Agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge?

If yes, provide details.

Answer:

AusTender ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)) is the Commonwealth Government's procurement and contracting Internet site. The Department of Health and Ageing, and its *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997* Portfolio Agencies, have listed the details of all their procurement contracts valued at \$10,000 (inc GST) or above on it. As such, if Cutting Edge has been employed by the Department, or its Agencies, the respective contract details will be listed on AusTender.

Information on future tenders or contracts under negotiation are commercial-in-confidence. Once executed, the details of contracts are uploaded onto AusTender within 42 calendar days.