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**Question:**

**Senator WONG:** Are you able to tell me how many responded to the RFI?

**Mr Del Rio:** That question would be best directed to the Department of Health.

**Senator WONG:** Are you aware?

**Ms O'Loughlin:** I do not have it in my pack. We could probably get information from Health and provide it to you during the day. I would say that Health were very pleased with the response that came from the market. Traditionally a lot of these projects have been done in a waterfall fashion—big project, 10-year time frame, benefits do not come in until year three or four. What they are attempting to do with this process is to have more agile delivery, which is what the DTA proposes as well and is a key objective of how we are working with departments—more agile delivery, more engagement of small and medium-sized players and earlier benefit delivery. That is guiding that project.

**Answer:**

As the Digital Transformation Agency were unable to provide an answer to this question on the day, this question is best directed to the Department of Health who have responsibility for the RFI process.