

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012, 19 October 2011

Question: E11- 047

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: CONSULTANCIES

Written Question on Notice

Senator McKenzie asked:

- a) Does each department and agency stand by its current tenders on the Austenders website?
- b) Have any changes or corrections been made for any tenders advertised on to Government Tenders website ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)) for tenders advertised this financial year? Explain
- c) Are up to date with reporting requirements?

Answer:

- a) The Department stands by its current tenders on the AusTender website.
- b) There have been a number of changes or corrections to the Department's tenders advertised on this Government Tenders website for tenders advertised this financial year. The changes or corrections have been typically undertaken in response to queries by prospective tendering organisations. All changes or corrections were made via a formal addenda process, and in alignment with the *Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines*. Details of changes were made available to prospective tenderers via the Commonwealth Government's procurement and contracting Internet site, AusTender [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au).
- c) Based on the contract information recorded on the Department's financial system, the Department is up to date with its AusTender reporting requirements.