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Senator Heffernan asked:

Mr Thompson: Manpower has a longstanding presence in Australia as an employment service provider. We contract Manpower and some of the other service providers, including Conservation Volunteers Australia, to establish teams of 10, one team leader and nine participants. So we pay per 10.

Senator HEFFERNAN: Yes; but could you give me the details of how much we pay per team, what the competitive process is and who were the tenderers to that process?

Mr Thompson: Sure. I will take that on notice. We can provide that.

Answer:

Service Providers are paid a flat fee of \$175,000 (GST exclusive) per project.

The Request for Tender evaluation process was managed jointly by the Departments of Employment and Environment utilising the Department of Employment's secure tender facility. The assessment of tenders and the review by the Tender Review Committee was undertaken in line with the evaluation plan developed for the Green Army Request for Tender.

The Green Army Request for Tender was a competitive process and assessments were undertaken by experienced staff from the Department of the Environment and the Department of Employment. The assessment and finalisation of justification statements for each tender was moderated by senior officers.

Tenders were assessed at a state level on the basis of ability of Tenderers to deliver on all services across all of any state or territory. Organisations were recommended based on demonstrated ability to deliver on ground environment and conservation works and for their superior work health and safety management systems.

A total of 57 tender applications were received. Based on the outcomes of the rigorous tender process, five Tenderers were successful and appointed as Service Providers, 49 Tenderers were eligible but unsuccessful and three tenders were deemed ineligible.

The following Organisations were successful:

- Conservation Volunteers Australia
- CoAct (formally Job Futures Limited)
- Campbell Page Limited
- Manpower Services Australia Pty Ltd
- Workskill Australia Inc.

The following Organisations were eligible but unsuccessful:

- A.R.T Employment Pty. Ltd.
- Access Community Services Limited
- Serendipity (WA) Pty Ltd
- Aspen Medical Pty Ltd
- Australia Personnel Global Pty Ltd
- Auswide Projects Ltd
- Southern Aboriginal Corporation
- Biraban Local Aboriginal Land Council
- Booroongen Djugun Limited
- Break Thru People Solutions
- Career Employment Australia Inc
- Career Employment Group Inc
- Choice Australia Management Ltd
- Civic Solutions Inc
- Employment Innovations Victoria Pty Ltd
- Environment Training Australia Pty Ltd
- Holmesglen Institutre
- YMCA of Inner Norther East Adelaide inc
- Ipswich YUPI Program Inc.
- Jobs Queensland Limited
- Kangan Institute
- Karingal Inc (Vic) Limited Liability
- Keep Australia Beautiful National Association Ltd
- Koomarri
- Maroochy Waterwatch Inc
- MEGT (Australia) Ltd
- Melbourne City Mission
- Hawkesbury River County Council
- Muru Mittigar Ltd
- Noosa & District Landcare Group Inc
- One IRC Pty Ltd
- Kirk Neil Pinner
- Penrith Skills for Jobs Ltd
- Personnel Solutions Australia Pty Ltd
- Pika Wiya Health Service Aboriginal Corporation
- The Salvation Army (Queensland) Property Trust
- SKILLCENTRED QUEENSLAND INC.
- Sorcit Limited
- South Metropolitan Youth Link Inc
- Jobs Australia Enterprises Ltd.
- Group Training Association of NSW & ACT
- TENTACLE Incorporated
- Blue Tongue Ecosystems Pty Ltd ATF The Trustee for the Reynolds Family Trust
- STEPS Disability Qld Inc
- Vinepower Margaret River Pty Ltd
- Volunteering Queensland Inc.

- youthconnections.com.au
- MAXIMA GROUP INCORPORATED
- MAXNetWork Pty Ltd