Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates 26 February 2014

Question: AET 353

Topic: Multiple Tenders (ASIC)

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Senator LUDWIG asked:

- 353. List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times since 7 September 2013
 - a. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?
 - b. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued?
 - c. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?

Answer:

- 353. There were no Open or Limited Tenders re-issued since 7 September 2013. There have been three Request for Quotations (RFQ's) issued under panel arrangements that were re-issued:
 - (i) Target Operating Model for ASIC's Flexible Advanced Surveillance Technology ("FAST") Program
 - (ii) End Point Protection
 - (iii) Financial Modelling Cost Analyst
 - a. In each instance, there was a lack of competitive responses to the initial RFQ and the evaluation team were not satisfied that the responses received fully satisfied ASIC's requirements and represented value for money;
 - b. There was one quotation initially received in response to the RFQ for the Target Operating Model and Financial Modelling Cost Analyst RFQs respectively and two quotations initially received for End Point Protection RFQ.
 - c. The two respondents to the End Point Protection RFQ were given the opportunity to re-submit their proposals or lodge amended proposals. Neither of the respondents to the Target Operating Model for FAST and Financial Modelling Cost analyst RFQs were given the opportunity to re-submit their proposals.