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Division/Agency: Australian Taxation Office
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Topic: Gosford Office
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Question:

1. With regard to the construction of a building to house an Australian Tax Office on the Gosford waterfront, what is the formal contractual arrangement or proportional requirement with the developer DOMA Group, [the developer] regarding the use of Central Coast sourced:
 - a. Services
 - b. Labour
 - c. Materials
 - d. Sub-contractors
 - e. Suppliers (such as machinery and transport)
 - f. Apprentices
2. Since the commencement of the construction of the Australian Tax Office on the Gosford waterfront what is the current use by the developer [the DOMA Group] of Central Coast sourced:
 - a. Services
 - b. Labour
 - c. Materials
 - d. Sub-contractors
 - e. Suppliers (such as machinery and transport)
 - f. Apprentices
3. Can the ATO provide any details of any Central Coast-based businesses used by the developer in the construction of the ATO on Gosford waterfront and a detailed breakdown the amounts spent on the services/products provided by these businesses?
4. At the request of any Minister or representative of Government were any undertakings made by the Australian Tax Office or the developer, DOMA, regarding local procurement and employment for this project? Can the ATO provide any documents relating to this question?
5. Can the Australian Tax Office provide a copy of the contract between them and the DOMA Group for the construction of the tax office on the Gosford Waterfront?

Answer:

1. There is no existing formal contractual or nominal agreement in regard to the engagement of central coast services, labour, materials or sub-contractors. DOMA Group has made a clear commitment to engage local business through the presentations to the Parliamentary Works Committee.
2. DOMA Group has not been required to report on the breakdown of each service, trade or business but rather on an overall spend. As at the 13 June 2017, the DOMA Group has reported that 52 per cent of contract value let on the base building procurement has been awarded to central coast businesses equating to \$7.5 million*.

*If Newcastle and Hunter region businesses are included it would be 75 per cent of contract value let on the base building procurement which equates to \$11.4 million.

3. The ATO is unable to provide specific dollar values for each business as they are engaged under a commercial contract by DOMA Group and not the ATO. The following Central Coast businesses have been engaged to date.

Trade	Subcontractor	Location
Civil Works	PJ Brown	Gosford
Decontamination	Douglas Partners	Gosford
Concrete Supply	Hanson	Gosford Plant
Concrete Pump and Place	TEC	Gosford
Reo Supply	ARC	Gosford
Reo Fix	CDMT	Gosford
Hydraulic Services	PJ Brown	Gosford
Electrical & Security Services	Star Electrical	Morriset (Central Coast)
Fire Door Frames	CCFD	Gosford
Lifts	Schindler	Central Coast
Joinery	Pluim	Gosford
Sanitary wares	Reece	Gosford
Structural Steel	Amarcon	Central Coast
Surveyor	Geosurv Pty	Central Coast
Line marking	PJ Brown	Gosford

4. There has been no formal request from Government or a Minister in relation to the engagement of Central Coast business as part of the Gosford building.
5. As the ATO does not own the building, there is no contract between DOMA Group and the ATO for the construction of the building. The ATO is a tenant and has entered into an agreement for lease with the DOMA Group.