

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio (AOFM)**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates**

20-21 November 2013

**Question: SBT 450-451**

**Topic: Consultancies**

**Written: 25 November 2013**

**Senator LUDWIG asked:**

450. How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source, etc). Also include total value for all consultancies.
451. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

**Answer:**

450. For the period from 7 September 2013 to 30 November 2013, there were 4 new consultancy contracts let involving actual expenditure of:

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Amount \$</b>
Australian Government Solicitor (3 contracts)	Legal advice	7,264
Opc IT Pty Ltd	Advice on website content development	5,775
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13,039</b>

Detailed information on the value and duration of consultancies as well as the procurement method is available on the AusTender website [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au).

451. There are no new consultancies planned for the remainder of this calendar year.