

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio
Supplementary Budget Estimates
2014 - 2015

Department/Agency: Treasury
Question: SBT 329-331
Topic: Consultancies
Reference: Written - 30 October 2014
Senator: Ludwig, Joe

Question:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

- 329. How many consultancies have been undertaken? 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.
- 330. 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.
- 331. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - a) List each, including name, cost and purpose
 - b) If so, why?

Answer:

- 329. This information is publically available on the AusTender website at <https://www.tenders.gov.au>
- 330. No consultancies are currently list on the Annual Procurement Plan for this calendar year.
- 331. Yes
 - a) Please consult the AusTender website at <https://www.tenders.gov.au>
 - b) The consultancies referred to as 'Limited Tender' in the attachment did not go out for tender as they were identified as procurements below the procurement threshold set out in Division 2 of the Commonwealth Procurement Rules.

Limited tender involves an agency approaching one or more potential suppliers to make submissions, where the process does not meet the rules for open tender or prequalified tender.