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Senator KIM CARR: I take it it was a tender—

Ms Mulder: It was an open tender, yes.

Senator KIM CARR: Is it the case that the department still has a role in picking the advisers? **Ms Mulder:** The industry partners are responsible for the engagement of specified personnel.

Senator KIM CARR: So you do not have any role at all?

Ms Mulder: The industry partners do provide names of specified personnel for the department for

consideration.

Senator KIM CARR: On notice, can I have a list of all industry department contracts and programs that are contracted out to Ai Group? Can you give me a list of all of those?

Ms Beauchamp: Is that just in relation to the Entrepreneurs' Program?

Senator KIM CARR: No; all industry programs. **Mr Schwager:** We would have to take that on notice.

Senator KIM CARR: Of course. I would expect you would. I would like to know, if you could, please, the number of contracts and a summary against each contract outlining the value of the contract and the type of services that are delivered.

Mr Schwager: Can I just clarify: is that a request for all AiG contracts, not contracts within the

Entrepreneurs' Program?

Senator KIM CARR: No; all—right across the whole department with AiG.

Mr Schwager: We will take that on notice.

ANSWER

The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science has two current contracts with Australian Industry Group. Details of both contracts are available on AusTender (CN2841762 and CN3133192).