

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Agency: TEQSA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000315

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

TEQSA: Consultancies

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
 - (a) List each, including name, cost and purpose
 - (b) If so, why?

Answer

The Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency has provided the following response.

1. Nil
2. All the planned consultancies are currently only at budgeting phase and not yet progressed to the procurement phase, therefore apart from the subject matter and estimated cost, all other procurement details cannot be determined at present. Details are as follows.

Subject Matter	Estimated Cost
Risk and security	5000
Cost recovery modelling	50,000
Stakeholder survey	25,000
Monitoring and assessment project	25,000
Total	\$105,000

3. No, as the procurement process has not commenced.