

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0120_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Dept & all agencies: Prequalified, Multi-use list tenders

1. Does the Department/Agency have existing Prequalified or Multi-use list panels for tenders? 2. Please list all Prequalified or Multi-use list panels, and the firms on them, compiled or used by the department/agency? 3. Do any of your EL or higher staff have interest- financial or otherwise - in any of the firms on your panels? 4. Do any Ministerial staff have directorships in any of the firms on your panels? 5. Do any Ministerial staff have interest- financial or otherwise- in any of the firms on your panel? 6. Have the minister or ministerial staff made representations concerning the panels? 7. Is Australian Public Affairs on any of your panels?

Answer

Department

The Department of Education does not have any Prequalified or Multi-Use List panels.

Agency

Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority

1. ACARA has a panel of test item developers which it uses for test item development. Note: ACARA also uses the Attorney-General's Legal Services Multi-Use List, but is not involved in managing this list.
2. Item development panel: Australian Council for Educational Research, Pearson, Pacific Metrics Corporation, Measurement Incorporation, University of New South Wales Global Educational Assessment Australia.
3. No
4. Not to ACARA's knowledge.
5. Not to ACARA's knowledge.
6. No
7. No

Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership

Not applicable

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies

1. AIATSIS does not have prequalified or multi-use list panels for tenders, but is a member of Supply Nation.
- 2 – 7. Not applicable

Australian Research Council

1. No
- 2 – 7. Not applicable

Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency

1. TEQSA has no current Multi-use panels.
- 2 – 7. Not applicable