

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014-15**

**Finance Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** All  
**Outcome/Program:** General  
**Topic:** Prequalified, Multi-use list tenders

**Senator:** Ludwig  
**Question reference number:** F201  
**Type of question:** Written  
**Date set by the committee for the return of answer:** Friday, 11 July 2014

**Number of pages:** 2

**Question:**

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:**

| <b>Department/<br/>Agency</b> | <b>Response</b>   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Finance                       | <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Multi-Use Lists and Standing Offers (panels) used by Finance are available on the AusTender website (<a href="http://www.tenders.gov.au">www.tenders.gov.au</a>).</li><li>2. Refer to response 1 above.</li><li>3. All senior Finance staff annually provide a Conflict of Interest Declaration in which they must declare any real, perceived, potential and/or pecuniary conflicts of interest.</li><li>4. Refer to response 3 above.</li><li>5. Refer to response 3 above.</li><li>6. No.</li><li>7. Refer to response 1 above.</li></ol> |

|  |  |
|--|--|
| <p>Australian Electoral Commission</p>         | <p>1. No, the AEC routinely accesses Multi-use lists (MULs) established by other agencies.</p> <p>2. MULs currently accessed by the AEC, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal Services – Attorney Generals Department</li> <li>• Design, Production and Distribution – Department of Human Services</li> <li>• Print Management – Department of Human Services</li> <li>• Creative Design – Department of Human Services</li> <li>• Australian Government Communications – Department of Finance</li> </ul> <p>Firms on the MUL are available on the AusTender website <a href="http://www.tenders.gov.au">www.tenders.gov.au</a>.</p> <p>3. No.</p> <p>4. Not applicable.</p> <p>5. Not applicable.</p> <p>6. No.</p> <p>7. No.</p>  |
| <p>ComSuper</p>                                | <p>1. Yes, ComSuper has panel arrangements in place and also utilises whole of government panel arrangements.</p> <p>2. ComSuper’s panels include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medico-Legal Assessment, Reporting and Litigation Support Services<br/>The suppliers include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ eReports Pty Ltd</li> <li>○ MedHealth Pty Ltd t/a MLCOA</li> <li>○ Medibank Health Solutions Pty Ltd</li> <li>○ Medico Legal Opinions.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Internal Audit Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Oakton Services Pty Ltd.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Financial Advisory and Accountancy Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Analytics Group Pty Ltd</li> <li>○ Metacorp Pty Ltd.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Provision of Employee Assistance Program Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Converge International Incorporating ResolutionsRTK</li> <li>○ Works Options Pty Ltd.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>3. All ComSuper staff annually provide a Conflict of Interest Declaration in which they must declare any real, perceived, potential and/or pecuniary conflicts of interest. Through this process there were no conflicts of interest (financial or otherwise) declared by EL staff or higher in any of the firms on ComSuper’s panels.</p> <p>4. To our knowledge, Ministerial staff do not have directorships in any of the firms on ComSuper’s panels.</p> <p>5. To our knowledge, Ministerial staff do not have interests - financial or otherwise in any of the firms on ComSuper’s panels.</p> <p>6. ComSuper is not aware of the Minister or Ministerial Staff making representations concerning the panels.</p> <p>7. No. The Australian Public Affairs is not on any of ComSuper’s Panels.</p> |
| <p>Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation</p> | <p>1. No.</p> <p>2. – 7. N/A.</p>  |
| <p>Future Fund Management Agency</p>           | <p>1. No.</p> <p>2. – 7. N/A.</p>  |