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Topic: Consultancies (AOFM)

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Senator EGGLESTON asked:

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway since November 2007? Please 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). Please 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.

Answer:

1. Consultancies commenced by the Australian Office of Financial Management since November 2007 are as follows:

Name	Subject matter	Duration	Cost	Procurement Method
Australian Government	Actuarial services	February to April 2008	\$5,977	Direct Source
Actuary				
Australian Valuation Office	Valuation of assets	March 2008	\$2,000	Direct Source
Australian Government Solicitor	Advice on borrowing legislation	April to May 2008	\$5,330	Direct Source
Australian Government Solicitor	Advice on borrowing legislation	August to October 2008	\$12,523	Direct Source
Australian Government Actuary	Actuarial services	February to April 2009	\$5,500	Direct Source
Australian Valuation Office	Valuation of assets	April 2009	\$2,970	Direct Source
Infact Consulting	Business Systems Advisory Services	September 2009 to September 2010	\$61,469	Direct Source
Australian Government Solicitor	Advice on legislation	December 2009 to January 2010	\$14,139	Direct Source
		Total expenditure	\$109,908	

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2. The Australian Office of Financial Management is currently planning to award one consultancy contract in the 2010 calendar year. Details are published on the Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website.

The contract is for the provision of internal audit services for a period of 3 to 5 years at an estimated total cost of between \$450,000 to \$750,0000. The procurement method will be via open tender process. The consultant is not known as the procurement is not finalised.