

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Direct Source Contract
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Senator Ronaldson asked:

Senator RONALDSON—You cannot because you did not go to open tender for a \$173,000 contract which, as you said before, is unusual.

Mr Clarke— But not exceptional.

Senator RONALDSON — No. I am sure that is right. When was the last direct-source contract for that amount of money let by the department—do you know?

Mr Clarke —I cannot answer that question off the top of my head.

Senator RONALDSON —Take it on notice, will you?

Mr Clarke — Certainly.

Senator RONALDSON —Thank you.

Answer:

The last direct source contract let by the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism in the vicinity of \$173,000, was for the amount of \$171,375.00, awarded to Insurance Advisernet Australia Pty Ltd on 1 July 2009.