## Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

## Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Agency: Australian Public Service Commission** 

Outcome/Program: Cross Portfolio

**Topic:** Consultancies

Senator: Fifield

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## **Ouestion:**

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway this FYTD? 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. Does each department and agency stand by its current tenders on the Austenders website? Have any changes or corrections been made for any tenders advertised on to Government Tenders website (<a href="www.tenders.gov.au">www.tenders.gov.au</a>) for tenders advertised this financial year? Explain. Are up to date with reporting requirements?
- 3. 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:**

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Name	Subject Matter	Total duration (length in days of contract)	FYTD cost (including GST)	Method of procurement
Australian Government Solicitor	Consultancy related legal services	1,828	229,978	Select tender off open approach panel
Blake Dawson Waldron	Consultancy related legal services	1,828	13,934	Select tender off open approach panel
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	Internal Audit Services	1,087	113,357	Open Tender

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LECG Ltd	Capability reviews assessment	6	16,500	Select tender off open approach panel
LECG Ltd	Consultancy for Leadership, Learning and Development advisory board	65	26,825	Direct sourcing
Morris Walker Pty Ltd	Media Advisor for Remuneration Tribunal	1,101	2,973	Direct sourcing
The Nous Group	APS Reform Blueprint consultancy	41	75,892	Select tender off open approach panel
Workplace Research Associates Pty Ltd	Evaluation of specified SES positions	25	30,250	Select tender off open approach panel
Right Management Consultants P/L	APS Reform consultancy	21	13,117	Select tender off open approach panel
Bennelong Resources Pty Ltd	Advisory support to the Commonwealth Remuneration Tribunal	260	0*	Direct sourcing
Business Wide	Review of APSC leadership, learning and development suite of programs	107	25,002	Direct sourcing
Fellows Medlock & Associates Pty Ltd	Advice on implementation of bargaining arrangements	247	55,353	Direct sourcing
Mercer (Australia) Pty Ltd	SES review	161	422,400	Direct sourcing
Orima Research Pty Ltd	Statistical and research services for Citizen Survey	109	129,380	Select tender
PriceWaterhouseCoopers	SES review	161	69,680	Direct sourcing
SMS Consulting Group Ltd	APS Reform Blueprint consultancy	52	47,309	Select tender off open approach panel
Australian Institute of Management	Support review on leadership development	136	11,000	Select tender off open approach panel
Business Aspect Pty Ltd	IT Consultancy Services	31	59,400	Select tender
Fellows Medlock & Associates Pty Ltd	Advice for enterprise bargaining	150	35,331	Direct sourcing
Gian Wild	Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 conformance testing and training	80	10,890	Select tender
Hay Group Pty Ltd	Methodology for evaluating SES roles.	122	0*	Select tender
Information Professionals	Corporate Information Project	91	20,640	Select tender

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Noetic Solutions Pty Ltd	Assist in developing an APSC workforce plan	46	35,000	Select tender off open approach panel
Oakton Services Pty Ltd	Forecast review & monitoring practice	46	10,285	Direct sourcing
Oakton Services Pty Ltd	P3M3 Capability Maturity Assessment and Improvement Plan	59	16,072	Select tender
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Capability Reviews Program	165	104,174	Direct sourcing
Sapere Research Group Limited	Management Advisory Services	79	37,040	Direct sourcing
Tarcus Pty Ltd	HR web tools review	91	38,115	Select tender
Tempo Strategies	Workshop facilitation	40	13,200	Select tender off open approach panel
The Nous Group	Strategic planning consultancy	110	34,116	Select tender off open approach panel
The University of New South Wales	Support for the design and implementation of an APS wide leadership development strategy	73	0*	Select tender off open approach panel
The Value Creation Group Pty Ltd	Value Creation workshops	24	53,671	Direct sourcing
Workplace Research Associates Pty Ltd	Consulting services for draft APS work level standards	72	0*	Select tender
Tarcus Pty Ltd	Development of the Commission's ICT Strategic Plan	65	55,000	Select tender
	Total		\$1,805,884	

Note: \* no payments had been made for these contracts as at 31 May 2011.

- 2. No tenders have been advertised on the AusTender website this financial year. The Commission regularly gazettes contract notices on AusTender.
- 3. There are no planned consultancies for this calendar year that require publishing in the Annual Procurement Plan (APP).

The APPs for 2010-2011 and 2011-12 do not include any consultancies as these are mainly sourced from existing panel or multi-use list arrangements or are procured from a select approach to the market, due to the procurement not being a covered procurement or the need is urgent and unforseen.