

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2012-2013

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

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Senator: Johnston

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Question:

It is noted from QON F56 that Deep Blue Tech bid for the Land Based Test Site (LBTS) Study. The Defence Procurement Policy Manual (5.7A) indicated that tenderers are entitled to a tender debrief.

- a) Did Deep Blue Tech request a debrief?
- b) If yes, what feedback was provided to Deep Blue Tech staff?
- c) Did ASC provide all of the data requested by DMO to assist the winner of the LBTS Study in completing the study? If not, why not?

Answer:

- a) Yes.
- b) ASC was advised that the Deep Blue Tech offer was fully compliant. The contract was placed with another company considered to provide better value for money according to DMO's assessment criteria.
- c) No, this was discussed with FSM and the DMO and it was agreed that the requested data was the subject of third party Intellectual Property rights.