

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Communications Portfolio**  
**Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency**

**Question No: 445**

**Program No. TUSMA**

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**Topic: Consultancies**

**Senator RUSTON asked:**

**Senator RUSTON:** Do you have a total figure for how much TUSMA has spent on consultancy services generally?

**Mr Wiegold:** I do not have a figure offhand to tell you, but I will take that on notice.

**Answer:**

During 2012–13 financial year, seven new consultancy contracts were entered into, involving total actual expenditure of \$231,638.46 (excluding GST). There were no ongoing consultancy contracts active in 2012–13 as TUSMA was established on 1 July 2012.