

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

26 February 2014

Question: AET 218

Topic: SBT444-445 Consultancies

Written: 5 March 2014

Senator LUDWIG asked:

218. I reference to question on notice SBT 444-445, I note that the Treasury has replied in the form of an internet link that does not fully answer the question as put to them. I repeat the question put to Treasury in SBT 444-445 and ask them to reflect on the standing orders of the senate and provide a fulsome answer to the question put to them.

Answer:

218. Question on notice SBT 444-445 asked:

444. How many consultancies have been undertaken from 7 September 2013 to 21 November 2013. Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc.). Also include total value for all consultancies.

This information is publically available on the AusTender website at www.tenders.gov.au. Report from AusTender is attached.

445. 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.

Two (2) consultancies are planned for this calendar year.

These have been published in the Annual Procurement Plan.

The subject matter of the consultancies is Education and Training Services. The duration and cost is unknown at this stage. The method of procurement will be open tender.