

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Treasury Portfolio**  
Budget Estimates 2014  
3 June to 5 June 2014

**Department/ Agency:** APRA

**Question:** BET 1730-1736

**Topic:** Prequalified Multi-use list tenders

**Reference:** Written – 12 June 2014

**Senator:** Ludwig

1730. Does the Department/Agency have existing Prequalified or Multi-use list panels for tenders?
1731. Please list all Prequalified or Multi-use list panels, and the firms on them, compiled or used by the department/agency?
1732. Do any of your EL or higher staff have interest- financial or otherwise - in any of the firms on your panels?
1733. Do any Ministerial staff have directorships in any of the firms on your panels?
1734. Do any Ministerial staff have interest- financial or otherwise- in any of the firms on your panel?
1735. Have the minister or ministerial staff made representations concerning the panels?
1736. Is Australian Public Affairs on any of your panels?

**Answer:**

1730. Yes
1731. All Prequalified or Multi-user list panels that have been compiled or used by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) are listed on Austender.
1732. APRA does not obtain or record this information. When determining which vendors are included in a Panel or for individual procurements over \$80,000, an evaluation team is formed to assess the vendor that represents the best value for money. Each evaluation team member must declare whether they hold any pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests in any of the respondents. If a conflict of interest arises the staff member will not participate in the team.
1733. - 1734. APRA is not aware of any Ministerial staff having a directorship on these panels.
1735. - 1736. No.