

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Agency - Asbestos Safety & Eradication Agency

Department of Employment Question No. EM0561_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

ASEA - Consultancies

a) How many consultancies have been undertaken from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? 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). Also include total value for all consultancies. b) 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. c) Have any consultancies not gone out for tender? i. If so, which ones and why?

Answer

One consultancy has been undertaken from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date, tabled below:

Consultant Name	Subject Matter	Duration	Cost	Method of Procurement
Dr Yossi Berger	Review existing training material related to pit and pipe works across utility sector and identify commonalities and existing content which can be built on	5 months	\$77,000	Direct source

This consultancy has been published on AusTender. Dr Yossi Berger was chosen as he is a WHS expert specialising in asbestos matters. The Annual Procurement Plan for the current calendar year is currently being finalised.