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Senator: Lundy

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Question:

Senator LUNDY: So, in anticipation of that, can you outline for me the number of small contractors that are engaged and the value of their contracts?

Mr Sheridan: I would have to take that detail on notice. I do not have that to hand.

Senator LUNDY: Would it be fair to say that they are all local suppliers?

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Senator Cormann: In terms of the current situation, we will take it on notice. I hasten to add again that you should not assume what may or may not happen down the track.

Senator LUNDY: I am just trying to establish what the benchmark is on the public record for the current provision of that service.

Senator Cormann: We will provide you with that information to the extent that we can.

Answer:

For the period 1 July 2014 to 28 February 2015 (inclusive) the Department of Finance engaged nine contractors in relation to ICON infrastructure work order requests. The value of these contracts totalled \$2,057,993.65. Five contractors with a main business location within the ACT (per *the Australian Business Register* <http://abr.business.gov.au/Index.aspx>) shared \$1.4m (68%) of the total contract value for this period.