

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2014-15**

Finance Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance  
**Outcome/Program:** General  
**Topic:** Consultancies

**Senator:** Ludwig

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**Question:**

Since Budget Estimates in May 2014:

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken? 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.
2. 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.
3. Have any consultancies not gone out for tender?
  - a) List each, including name, cost and purpose.
  - b) If so, why?

**Answer:**

1. A list of all consultancy services arrangements of \$10,000 (inc. GST) and over entered into by the Department of Finance is available at the AusTender site ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au)).
2. Planned procurements, including consultancies, are published in the Department of Finance's Annual Procurement Plan and accessible on the AusTender website ([www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au))
3. No.