

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Question No. EW0179_10

Senator Cash asked on 1 June 2009, Hansard page 29.

Question

Senator CASH—I asked you previously whether, according to the Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines, you had to publish a list of subcontractors. Clause 7.26 on page 20 of the Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines states:

To enhance transparency, agencies must make available on request, the names of any sub-contractor engaged by a contractor in respect of a Commonwealth contract for procurement.

- a. Agencies must require contractors to agree to the public disclosure of the names of any sub-contractors ... et cetera and—
- b. Contractors must be required to inform relevant sub-contractors that the sub-contractor's participation in fulfilling a Commonwealth contract for procurement may be publicly disclosed.

Does the department adhere to all of those guidelines?

Ms Golightly—I will need to take that and check it with my procurement people.

Answer

The Department adheres to the provisions of the *Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines*.

Please also see the Answer to Question EW0177_10.