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SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES

Outcome: All Output Group: All

DEST Question No. E316_05

Senator Murray provided in writing.

Question:

Do the Department's tender docs and contract templates including the following elements: statement outlining various accountability requirement: consistent definition of confidential information; provision of inclusion of specific reasons justifying why a tender may wish to protect certain information; section that outlines obligations of confidentiality; outline of exceptions to confidentiality obligations for Commonwealth contracts; model contract clauses?

Answer:

Tender documentation/contract templates

The Department's Request for Tender (RFT), Request for Quote (RFQ) and contracts, used if confidential information is involved, each contain statements outlining the various Commonwealth accountability requirements.

Both the RFQ and RFT have clauses consistent with DOFA's February 2003 *Guidance on Confidentiality of Contractor's Commercial Information*.