

**Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration**

**ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

**Additional Estimates Hearing – February 2010**

**Department of Finance and Deregulation**

**Finance and Deregulation Portfolio**

**Outcome 2, Program All**

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**Senator Barnett asked:**

- a) How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway since November 2007? Please 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). Please also include the total value of all consultancies.
- b) How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year?
- c) 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.

**Answer:**

- a) The Department of Finance and Deregulation has engaged 463 consultancy contracts since November 2007.  
Please see List of Consultancy Contracts (Attachment A).
- b) All known procurements including consultancies are published on the Annual Procurement Plan.
- c) The department has seven (7) Consultancy Contracts currently listed on the Annual Procurement Plan. (Annual Procurement Plan for the Department of Finance and Deregulation is publicly available on AusTender).