

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS  
CRIMTRAC

**Question No. 35**

**Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing on 12 February 2013:**

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** I understand that there was a work order, numbered 2011/0001, and that this work order, which I gather was issued by or in connection with Connexxion Business Solutions. This work order was an order for the review and development of project and program management at an original cost of \$82,778.85. Are you aware of that particular work order?

**Ms Mayo:** Yes, we are, Senator. That was the subject of a question on notice No. 1937, the response to which, I understand, was tabled last week.

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** I understand this work order was varied to increase the contract value to \$125,472. Rather than detain us now, would you please give us detailed information on notice about how and why that work order was varied?

**Ms Mayo:** Certainly.

**The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:**

It is standard CrimTrac business practice for the Contract Manager to prepare a briefing note for the appropriate FMA Reg 9 delegate who considers and then approves any contract variation. The briefing note provides detailed explanation as to the reasons for the proposed variation.

There were two variations to this work order. In both instances the above process was adhered to.

The Contract Manager identified that a further period of time would be required to support the development of the Portfolio, Program and Project Governance (PPPG) framework. The original \$82,778.85 was increased by \$24,443.35 to a new value of \$107, 212.20. The variation and increase in value was approved by Mr Jeff Storer on 30 June 2011.

On 29 August 2011, Mr Jeff Storer approved a further increase of \$18,260.55 to address the time required to finalise work on the PPPG framework. This brought the total value of the contract to \$125,472.75.