

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Transport and Regional Services

Department of Transport and Regional Services

Consideration of Additional Budget Estimates February 2005

Question No.: AMSA 01

Topic: Consultancies

Hansard Page: Not applicable – post hearing written notice

Output: Regulatory Group – Australian Maritime Safety Authority

Senator Carr asked:

Please provide a table listing details of all consultancies for the 2003/04 financial year for the Department and all associated Agencies. Please include the following:

- The costs for all completed consultancies, both budgeted and actual;
- The costs for ongoing consultancies, both budgeted and for the current financial year;
- The total costs for all consultancies, both the amount expended in the current financial year, and the total budgeted value of all consultancies running in the current financial year;
- The nature and purpose of the consultancy;
- The method by which the contract was let;
- The name and details of the company and/or individual who is carrying out, or carried out, the contract.

Answer:

AMSA records the total actual costs for all completed consultancies in 2003-2004 were \$352,200.

AMSA records the total actual costs of all ongoing consultancies in 2003-2004 were \$873,700 and the total anticipated costs for the current financial year (2004-2005) are \$1,148,000.

The total costs for all consultancies, both the amount expended in 2003-04 and the total anticipated costs of all consultancies running in the current financial year, are \$2,373,800.

The **attached** table provides details for each consultancy, including the name of the consultant, description of the consultancy, the method by which the consultant was engaged and the expenditure in 2003-04 and anticipated expenditure for ongoing consultancies.