Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Additional Budget Estimates February 2009

Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

Question No. ARTC 01

Division/Agency: Australian Rail Track Corporation

Topic: Reviews

Hansard Pages: Written Question

Senator McGauran asked:

- 1. How many Reviews are currently being undertaken in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency?
- 2. When will each of these reviews be concluded?
- 3. Which Reviews have been completed since Supplementary Budget Estimates 2008?
- 4. When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?
- 5. What is the total number of Reviews both completed and ongoing in the portfolio/agency or affecting the portfolio agency since November 2007?
- 6. What is the estimated cost of these Reviews?
- 7. What further reviews are planned for 2009?

Answer:

The questions are not applicable to Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC).

The ARTC is not a portfolio agency but rather a government business enterprise established under the *Corporations Act 2001* and governed by *the Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act (1997)*.

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Question No.: ARTC 02

Division/Agency: Australian Rail Track Corporation

Topic: Consultancies

Hansard Pages: Written Question

Senator McGauran asked:

- 1. How many consultancies have been undertaken since November 2007?
- 2. Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the consultancy, and the method of procurement (ie open tender, direct source, etc)
- 3. Please also include total value for all consultancies.
- 4. Do you stand by Government Tenders website (www.tenders .gov.au) and what changes or corrections have been made to it since 18 February 2009? Are you up to date with reporting requirements?
- 5. How many consultancies are planned/budgeted for this calendar year?
- 6. Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not?
- 7. In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.

Answer:

Refer to ARTC 01.