

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Maley to the Minister for Territory Development:

**Darwin Ship Lift Project – January 2023 Update**

- 1. A search of NTG Tenders Online shows that a total of \$6,674,379.49 has been contracted for the Ship Lift Project. Is this the actual amount of total contracts awarded for this project?**

As of January 2023, over \$24m of contracts for the Ship Lift Project have been awarded via DIPL.

- 2. What is the total expenditure to date for the Ship Lift Project? Please provide a breakdown by contract.**

As of January 2023, over \$24m of contracts for the Ship Lift Project have been awarded via DIPL for services including design and geotechnical work.

- 3. What has actually been delivered through this expenditure? Please provide a breakdown by type of service, physical asset or type of works undertaken.**

Please see Q2.

- 4. The Darwin Ship Lift Project total cost has changed over the past six years. Please provide a breakdown of the \$515 million total project cost.**

The works required for this project include marine and civil works and the Ship Lift and buildings.

The exact award figure is still subject to commercial contract negotiations.

- 5. How is the NAIF \$300 million loan paid to the NTG? Is this paid upfront or by progressive instalments or in reimbursement of costs paid?**

The NAIF loan facility for the Ship Lift project is based on the project milestones.

**6. What work has the BMD-Clough JV contractor delivered so far?**

Works including engineering and surveys plus management, planning and investigation reports have formed part of services delivered so far.

**7. What has been paid to the BMD-Clough JV so far?**

CBJV's services have been funded as part of the \$24m in contracts awarded so far via DIPL for the scope of services delivered to the Territory to date.

**8. Earlier this year the Minister stated that the total project cost had increased from \$400 million to \$515 million due to the increasing cost of steel and concrete, plus the cost of upgrading connecting utilities at East Arm. Please provide a breakdown of the additional \$115 million that has been added to the total project budget.**

Please see Q4.

**9. Given the number of delays this project has experienced, how has this impacted on the timeline for delivery? Please provide a new timeline.**

The Territory Government is committed to the construction and operation of the Ship Lift.

Attachment A

Table 1 – Contracts, Services and Expenditure (GST Exclusive)

As at 1 march 2023		
<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Total DIPL Exp.</b>	<b>Services/ providers</b>
\$21,355.59	\$8,556.95	Henderson WA AMC - Specialist Maritime & Operational advisory
\$1,537.46	\$1,537.46	General advertising
\$66,000.00	\$62,860.00	Probity advisor
\$1,973.38	\$1,973.38	Advertising costs (NT News) for Environmental – EIS & EPBC Regulatory Requirements for public notices
\$94,342.00	\$94,342.00	Construction Industry Long Service Levy
\$11,340.00	\$11,340.00	Quantity Surveys and Probabilistic estimators
\$190,000.00	\$75,120.00	IT System for traffic signals for Heavy Vehicle Priority System to improve productivity and reduce Construction costs
\$2,761,877.81	\$2,719,708.74	Territory's Engineering Consultant
\$3,679,174.34	\$1,746,718.19	Geotechnical Investigations
\$18,600.00	\$18,519.00	Commercial and Legal advisory services peer reviewers
\$841,701.56	\$648,712.94	Specialist environmental (EIS/EPBC) and Development Approvals Consultants
\$1,654,020.11	\$1,646,397.80	Commercial, Legal and Financial advisory/Broker
\$4,945,420.92	\$4,945,420.92	BMD-Clough JV Concept design, planning, investigations, surveys to end November 2022
\$238,875.00	\$0.00	Principal Arranged Insurances Advisory/Broker
\$9,955,460.75	\$0.00	Detailed design Consultant
<b>\$24,481,678.92</b>	<b>\$13,981,207.38</b>	