

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE**  
**Question Taken on Notice**

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**From:** Mr Gary Higgins

**To:** Hon. Gerald McCarthy

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**QUESTION**

We have been informed there has been a remote housing project underway in Amanbidji, which is using a Queensland company Rocon Contracting. How many local workers and local Indigenous workers is Rocon using on the project? When did it begin? When will it be finalised? How much is it worth and how did a Queensland company win the work over the local contractors?

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**Answer**

Rocon Construction company has a local presence based at East Arm. The contract was awarded for \$1.962m. While we do not have any details on the Aboriginal employees for Amanbidji, we do have the information that they achieved 50% Indigenous employment. The contractual requirements required 35% Aboriginal employment. Works were awarded 11 September 2017 and were delayed due to the Wet Season. Works were finalised—expected completion in September 2018 as per advice from the Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics.