

Department of Land Resource Management

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Advance Question to Government

to be asked at 2016 Estimates Hearings

Question No:	2 and 3
From:	Mr Michael Gunner, Leader of the Opposition
To:	The Hon. Gary Higgins MLA, Land Resource Management
Question Heading:	TENDERS AND CONSULTANCIES
Question:	<p>2. For each agency / authority, please provide the costs and number of all consultancies undertaken by the agency.</p> <p>a) Please provide details for consultancies associated with communications.</p> <p>b) Please provide details of consultancies over \$100 000.</p> <p>c) Please provide details on consultancies that were conducted by interstate companies (Tier 3 and above).</p> <p>3. Which consultants were not selected through competitive tendering and why?</p>

Answer:

The Department of Land Resource Management incurred \$313 312 in consultancy costs in 2015-16 (to 31 March 2016) for 10 consultancies.

- a) No consultancies were associated with communications.
- b) One consultancy was over \$100 000:
 - i. Charles Darwin University - Provision of a summary of research and other projects in all aspects of the mangrove environment of Darwin Harbour
\$180 376
- c) The above consultancy was not conducted by an interstate company.

When procuring goods and services the Department of Land Resource Management complies with requirements under the *Procurement Act*, Regulations made under that Act, and Procurement Directions.

The Department had one consultancy valued over \$100 000 for the provision of a summary of research and other projects in all aspects of the mangrove environment of Darwin Harbour. This consultancy was put out to select tender due to the specialist nature of work required.