

Estimates Committee 2016 Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Compliance with Buy Local conditions

From: Ms Nicole Manison to Hon Peter Styles
Business

Question: 7-2
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Answer:
Answered On: 06/07/2016

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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To: The Hon Peter Styles MLA, Minister for Business

Agency: Department of Business

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Answer:

There is no consistent data source available across whole-of-government to enable reporting on investigations and breaches of contract conditions. The information below has been provided via the centralised procurement service units or contact points within each respective agency, and in most cases information was collated on manual basis, dependent upon data available.

A total of 199 investigations have taken place in the 2015-16 financial year to date across 19 Northern Territory Government agencies, being: Business (DoB); Sport and Recreation (DSR); Arts and Museums (DAM); Land Resource Management (DLRM); Attorney-General and Justice (DAGJ); Corporate and Information Services (DCIS); Health (DoH); Transport (DoT); Lands, Planning and the Environment (DLPE); Correctional Services (DCS); Northern Territory Electoral Commission (NTEC); Legislative Assembly (DLA); Parks and Wildlife Commission (PWCNT), Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (AAPA); Land Development Corporation (LDC); Infrastructure (DoI); Mines and Energy (DME); Primary Industry and Fisheries (DPIF); and Treasury and Finance (DTF).

As a result of those investigations, it has been determined that there were a total of 9 breaches; one occurring in the pre Buy Local Plan period, with all others occurring post 2 May 2016, when the Buy Local conditions (Local Benefit Commitments) came into effect. Refer to Attachment.

The Department of Business is in the process of developing a whole-of-government contract management framework that will help address the consistency and quality of contract management practices across government; and is working with the Department of Corporate and Information Services on implementation of a contract management system for whole-of-government use.

ATTACHMENT

	DoB	DSR	DAM	DLRM	DAGJ	DCIS	DoH	DoT	DLPE	DCS	NTEC	DLA	PWCNT	AAPA	LDC	DoI	DME	DPIF	DTF	Total
Number of procurement investigations for The 2015-16 financial year	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	137	5	0	0	0	0	28	1	0	0	0	199
As a result of those investigations, the total number of breaches identified								1	2	5					0	1				9
Of those breaches, the total number occurring in the pre Buy Local Plan period																1				1
Of those breaches, the total number due to a breach of the newly implemented Buy Local Plan (15 Feb 2016 to 1 May 2016)								0	0	0					0	0				0
Of those breaches, the total number due to a breach of the newly implemented Buy Local conditions (2 May 2016 onwards)								1	2	5					0	0				8