

Estimates Committee 2007
Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Details of Tenders Appointed

From: Ms Jodeen Terese CARNEY to Honourable Delia Phoebe LAWRIE
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Question: In relation to the consultants appointed in 2006-07, can you provide details of their appointment, namely was the work provided subject to normal government tendering or certificates of exemption, as well as any other details relevant to the tendering process?

Answer:

Answered On: 17/08/2007

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

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Ms Jodeen Terese Carney, Leader of the Opposition to the Minister for Planning and Lands

Appointment of Consultants

7.2 *In relation to the Consultants appointed in 2006-07, can you provide details of their appointment, namely was the work provided subject to normal government tendering or Certificate of Exemption, as well as any other details relevant to the tendering process?*

ANSWER

The Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI) manages a comprehensive Consultant Panel contract established in July 2006 for a three year period.

The panel covers an extensive number of consultants mainly associated with infrastructure projects, comprising of 80 individual firms across 31 categories of work performed by professionally trained and qualified personnel.

The contract has in place strict rules governing selection, rotation and awarding of commissions under the value of \$100 000. All commissions in excess of \$100 000 are subject to the Public Tender system of the Northern Territory procurement framework.

Report details

The following commissions to consultants have been awarded outside this panel contract through a Certificate of Exemption under Procurement Directions P02:

<u>Project</u>	Darwin China Town Fit Out (T06-1745)	Value \$182 000
<u>Consultant</u>	Jackman Gooden Architects	
<u>Reason</u>	Nominated by Building Owner under Direction rule PR7.	
<u>Managed</u>	DPI Construction Division	
<u>Project</u>	Darwin Development House Fit out	Value \$150 000
<u>Consultant</u>	Ross Tonkin and Associates	
<u>Reason</u>	Nominated by Building Owner under Direction rule PR7.	
<u>Managed</u>	DPI Construction Division	
<u>Project</u>	Repairs of Equipment Grain Silos at Douglas Daly	Value \$150 000
<u>Consultant</u>	Milltech Services of NSW	
<u>Reason</u>	Considered a specialist firm for this type of equipment.	
<u>Managed</u>	DPI Construction Division	
<u>Project</u>	Bellamack Subdivision Urban Design (water services)	Value \$345 000
<u>Consultant</u>	Ecological Engineering P/L	
<u>Reason</u>	Considered leader in water sensitive urban design strategies including water management, recycling and conservation expertise.	
<u>Managed</u>	DPI Construction Division	

<u>Project</u>	Software Maintenance Contracts (2 off)	
<u>Consultants</u>	ESRI	Value \$240 000
	ORACLE	Value \$108 000
<u>Reason</u>	Granted approval by PRB under recently introduced standing exemption PR7. These contracts are not classified as Consultancies as they are a related part of the original acquisition.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Lands Division	
<u>Project:</u>	Waterfront - Preparation of Car Park Tender Documentation	Value \$36 850
<u>Consultant:</u>	Hassell Architects Pty Ltd	
<u>Reason:</u>	Hassell had completed majority of documentation whilst car park was still part of CI PC sums item.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Waterfront	
<u>Project:</u>	Waterfront - Technical Advisor	Value \$243 100
<u>Consultant:</u>	Matchplay Pty Ltd	
<u>Reason:</u>	Required to assist in the technical review and contractual compliance, assessment of designs and construction works.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Waterfront	
<u>Project:</u>	Waterfront – Project Director	Value \$250 000
<u>Consultant:</u>	SBR Investments Pty Ltd	
<u>Reason:</u>	Involved in the project since prior to financial close and played a major role in negotiations during this time, managing the finer details of the project and preserving the interests of the Northern Territory Government in relation to project deliverables.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Waterfront	
<u>Project:</u>	Technical and Environmental Advisor	Value \$74 360
<u>Consultant:</u>	Steve Gilmour Consulting Pty Ltd	
<u>Reason:</u>	Appointed to the role subsequent to departure of another consultant. Responsible for the management of the environmental aspects of the Waterfront project and knowledge of complex environmental contractual and technical requirements.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Waterfront	
<u>Project:</u>	Traffic engineering advice	Value \$20 000
<u>Consultant:</u>	Venture Engineering	
<u>Reason:</u>	Appropriate resources within DPI unavailable.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Road Network Division	
<u>Project:</u>	Traffic engineering advice	Value \$25 517
<u>Consultant:</u>	Worley Parsons Services	
<u>Reason:</u>	Appropriate resources within DPI unavailable.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Road Network Division	
<u>Project:</u>	Optimisation of Northern Territory Road Network Traffic Signals	Value \$107 728
<u>Consultant:</u>	GHD Consulting Engineers	
<u>Reason:</u>	Consultancy report on optimising traffic signals following public complaints.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Road Network Division	

<u>Project:</u>	Traffic Engineer	Value \$46 170
<u>Consultant:</u>	Worley Parsons Services	
<u>Reason:</u>	Appropriate resource within DPI unavailable.	
<u>Managed:</u>	DPI Road Network Division	

Note: DPI Darwin Bus Service, the Public Transport Branch and Transport Policy and Planning Division have not engaged any consultants under a Certificate of Exemption basis for the past 12 months.
