

### Consultancy services of \$10,000 or more during 2006/2007

Consultants name	Description	Amount (incl GST)	Selection process <sup>1</sup>	Justification <sup>2</sup>
APIS Consulting Pty Ltd	Services in relation to the development of the Information technology strategy for the Agency	\$ 116,815	Panel	B
Deloitte Touche Thomatsu	Provision of accounting advice	\$ 13,393	Direct Source	C
Cybertrust	Provision of advice on information technology security	\$ 20,000	Open Tender	C
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Internal audit services	\$ 88,480	Open Tender	C
Ernst & Young	Provision of accounting advice	\$ 21,120	Direct Source	C
Total		\$ 259,808		

<sup>1</sup>*Explanation of selection process terms drawn from the Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines (January 2005)*

Open Tender: A procurement procedure in which a request for tender is published inviting all businesses that satisfy the conditions for participation to submit tenders. Public tenders are sought from the marketplace using national and major metropolitan newspaper advertising and the Australian Government AusTender internet site.

Select Tender: A procurement procedure in which the procuring agency selects which potential suppliers are invited to submit tenders. Tenders are invited from a short list of competent suppliers.

Direct Sourcing: A form of restricted tendering, available only under certain defined circumstances, with a single potential supplier or suppliers being invited to bid because of their unique expertise and/or their special ability to supply the goods and/or services sought.

Panel: An arrangement under which a number of suppliers, usually selected through a single procurement process, may each supply property or services to an agency as specified in the panel arrangements. Tenders are sought from suppliers that have pre-qualified on the agency panels to supply to the government. This category includes standing offers and supplier panels where the consultant offers to supply goods and services for a pre-determined length of time, usually at a pre-arranged price.

<sup>2</sup>*Justification for decision to use consultancy*

A – skills currently unavailable within agency

B – need for specialised or professional skills

C – need for independent research or assessment