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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports QUESTION ON NOTICE

Mr Alistair Coe MLA: To ask the Minister for Government Services and Procurement

Ref: Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate: Annual Report 2017-18: Volume 1, Procurement ACT, Output 9.3 Goods and Services Procurement, page 117

In relation to: e-tendering

1. What (a) risks and (b) benefits have been identified with migrating the Territory's e-tendering system to an external host?
2. What was (a) the cost in migrating the tendering process across; (b) the savings achieved to date; and (c) ongoing or total savings expected?
3. How does the migration affect or interact with the TendersACT website or other portals through which the ACT Government interacts with contractors?

Mr Alistair Coe MLA
14 November 2018

Minister for Government Services and Procurement - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1.
 - (a) The key risks identified with migrating the Territory's e-tender system were:
 - Potential data privacy and information security;
 - Potential performance degradation; and
 - Developing external architecture that may not support future requirements of the Territory.All identified risks were mitigated and since the February 2018 migration to the external hosting arrangement no significant issue has arisen.
 - (b) The benefits identified with migrating the Territory's e-tender system were:
 - Operating cost savings; and
 - Increased efficiencies (timeliness) to rollout fixes and developments.These benefits have been realised with savings being achieved and several updates being applied to the system.

2.

- (a) The direct cost of migrating the tendering process was \$6,000. A further \$6,062 of internal charges were incurred.
- (b) The successful migration has resulted in \$18,750 in savings from February 2018 to date.
- (c) The migration is expected to yield up to \$50,000 in savings over the maximum life of the current contract, which spans February 2018 through to March 2020.

3. The migration of the e-tendering system to an external host had no impact on the Tenders ACT website, as the Tenders ACT website is the portal underpinning the e-tender system. In effect, the IP address of the TendersACT website was simply pointed to the new physical site of the e-tender system.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Tourism

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By the Minister for Government Services and Procurement, Ms Stephen-Smith MLA