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**THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR
THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**Update to the Assembly – Standing Committee on Economic
Development and Tourism Report No. 8 – Annual and Financial
Reports 2018-19 – Recommendation No 6**

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Presentation of Papers

This paper provides an update to the Assembly on efforts to allow the notifiable invoices register to include data identifying the contract that each invoice was issued under, including target dates for completing significant stages of the project as requested by Recommendation 6 of the Standing Committee on Economic Development and Tourism Report No. 8 Annual and Financial Reports 2018-19.

Recommendation No 6: Provide the Assembly with an update on efforts to allow the notifiable invoices register to include data identifying the contract that each invoice was issued under, including target dates for completing significant stages of the project.

Part 3A of the *Government Procurement Act 2001* (the Act) describes a notifiable invoice as an invoice for the prescribed amount or more, payable by a responsible Territory entity for goods, services, works or property, provided to or procured by, the Territory or a Territory Entity. Division 3A.2, sections 42B and 42C, set out the requirement to keep a register of notifiable invoices and the content of the notifiable invoices register.

The register contains the following information regarding each notifiable invoice:

- a) The name of the entity invoicing the Territory;
- b) If the entity invoicing the Territory has an ABN – the ABN;
- c) the name of the responsible Territory entity for the invoice;
- d) a brief description of what the invoice is for;
- e) the date the invoice was received;
- f) the date the invoice was paid;
- g) the value of the good, service or work charged for under the invoice;
- h) anything else prescribed by regulation.

To support the ACT Government's Open Government policy and in accordance with the Act the details of notifiable invoices are published within 21 days after the end of the month during which the invoice was paid. The register can be accessed by visiting data.act.gov.au.

In 2019 Shared Services piloted the Oracle Procurements Contracts Cloud Module within the Transport Canberra and City Services Directorate, this module enables a systematic approach for the recording and reporting of ACT Government expenditures in a central system.

Shared Services has received approval from the Justice and Community Safety Directorate, the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate, ACT Health, and Suburban Land Agency to introduce the Oracle Procurements Contracts Cloud Module within the 2020-21 financial year. Some agencies such as Canberra Health Services and Cemeteries use other financial systems and options for linking notifiable invoices will require separate arrangements. This will be considered in the recently commenced review of the needs of ACT Agencies with regards to Financial Management systems which is expected to be finalised next financial year by Shared Services.