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Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Inquiry into Annual and Financial Reports 2021-2022
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Asked by Mr Peter Cain MLA on 4 November 2022: Mr Duncan Edghill took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Tender Procurement

MR CAIN: Obviously the questioning in estimates was about changing the weightings of a tender once it had been closed for submissions and whether that was common practice in the service. Are you aware of that as being a common practice?

Mr Edghill: If I may again, chief minister. Sorry, I am not sure that that was a question that I was asked previously.

MR CAIN: Then, are you aware of change in the weightings on a tender on the procurement after it has been closed for submissions?

Mr Edghill: I would have to respectfully take that on notice to provide a definitive response, but my initial reaction is that is not something that would be a particularly common occurrence in procurement processes.

MR CAIN: So you will take that on notice?

Mr Edghill: I am happy to take that on notice.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

In relation to infrastructure projects directly delivered by Major Projects Canberra or where Major Projects Canberra provides infrastructure delivery services to other Directorates, and other than the Campbell Primary School procurement where the ACT Audit Office made remarks in this respect, I am advised by Major Projects Canberra that they are not aware of any instances where there has been a change in

the weighting of weighted tender evaluation criteria following the close of tender submissions since the establishment of Major Projects Canberra.

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By the Treasurer, Andrew Barr MLA