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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Question No. 56

MRS KIKKERT: To ask the Assistant Minister for Families and Community Services:

- (1) Did the Community Services Directorate (CSD) in 2018–19, let 94 contracts worth almost \$190 million be exempt from tender; if so, for each of these contracts, can the Minister provide (a) name of contractor, (b) service contracted for, (c) dollar value of contract, (d) expiration date of contract, (e) length of time that this contract has been held by the same contractor and (f) for any contract valued between \$25,001 and \$200,000, the dollar value of each written quote obtained from competitive contractor?
- (2) Did the CSD in 2018–19 let 71 contracts with values above \$200,000 without open tender; if so, for each of these contracts, can the Minister provide (a) name of contractor, (b) service contracted for, (c) dollar value of contract, (d) expiration date of contract, (e) length of time that this contract has been held by the same contractor and (f) reason why the CSD overrode current procurement policy guidelines (and legislation) in awarding this contract?

MINISTER DAVIDSON: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

- (1) In 2018–19, CSD exercised procurement activities in accordance with the ACT Government tender thresholds and complied with procurement policies and procedures as stated in the *Government Procurement Act 2001* (the Act) and the *Government Procurement Regulation 2007* (the Regulation).

Fifty-four of the 'Single Select' contracts relate to programs where existing contracts were extended for an additional term in accordance with Procurement Guidelines and approved by the ACT Government Procurement Board (GPB).

(a)-(e) Details provided in Attachment A.

(f) This information is commercial-in-confidence.

(2) (a)-(e) Details provided in Attachment B.

(f) CSD has acted in accordance with procurement policy and legislation in determining the most appropriate procurement methodology for each process.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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