

SENATE ORDER FOR ENTITY CONTRACTS

INTERNET LISTING

2016-17

This listing relates to the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017

Pursuant to the Senate Order for Entity Contracts the following table lists with requisite details the contracts entered into by the Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS) with a consideration to the value of \$100,000 or more (GST inclusive) in these periods :

- 1) before 1 July 2016 and not fully performed as at 30 June 2017; or
- 2) during the 12 months prior to 30 June 2017 whether or not they were fully performed as at 30 June 2017.

Most of the contracts listed contain confidentiality provisions of a contract, outputs and /or general nature that are designed to protect the confidential information of the parties that may be obtained when entering into the contract or generated in carrying out the contract.

The reasons for including such clauses include:

- a) ordinary commercial prudence that requires protection of intellectual property, other proprietary information, trade secrets and the like; and/or
- b) protection of Commonwealth material, other sensitive material and personal information.

As AIMS operations include commercial activities contracts entered into relation to them have not been included where in addition to containing clauses of the kind noted above undertakings have been given that the contract would not be disclosed other than in specified circumstances or disclosure could have a substantially adverse impact on AIMS.

Based on the advice and information received from AIMS' senior management and General Counsel, AIMS' Chief Executive Officer as the head of AIMS is assured that the listed contracts do not contain any inappropriate confidentiality provisions.

Estimated cost of complying with the Senate Order was \$20,000

Basis of method used to estimate cost: Hours of General Counsel (5 days x FTE daily rate)
+ Contracts Officer/supporting officers (4 days x FTE daily rate) +Business Manager(3 days x hourly rate) +Senior Executive Team (4 hours x FTE hourly rate)