

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION COVERSHEET

The following information is provided pursuant to section 28 of the *Freedom* of *Information Act 2016*.

FOI reference: TCCSFOI 22-041

Information to be published	Status
1. Access application	Published
2. Decision notice	Published
3. Documents	Published
4. Additional information identified	No
5. Fees	n/a
6. Processing time (in working days)	20 days
7. Decision made by Ombudsman	n/a
8. Additional information identified by Ombudsman	n/a
9. Decision made by ACAT	n/a
10. Additional information identified by ACAT	n/a

OFFICIAL

Hi Team

The below request pertains to street lights. Will you accept a full transfer of the request?

Thanks

Kel

-----Original Message-----From: @gmail.com> Sent: Thursday, 24 March 2022 12:46 AM To: CMTEDD FOI <CMTEDDFOI@act.gov.au> Subject: Street lights

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Good morning,

I would like to request Information on all companies the territory engages with on the procurement and installation of street lights.

Thanks

Sent from my iPhone



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Dear

# Freedom of information request: Reference 22-041

I refer to your application received by Transport Canberra and City Services (TCCS) by way of transfer from the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate on 24 March 2022 in which you sought under the *Freedom of Information Act 2016* (the FOI Act) access to the following:

*"Information on all companies the Territory engages with on the procurement and installation of street lights".* 

## Authority

I am an Information Officer appointed by the Director-General under section 18 of the Act to deal with access applications made under Part 5 of the FOI Act.

### Timeframes

A decision on your application is due on 26 April 2022.

### Decision on access

A list of notifiable contracts and prequalified contractors that are prequalified to work on streetlights is available on the Procurement ACT register at:

- <u>https://www.procurement.act.gov.au/registers/contracts-register;</u> and
- <u>https://www.act.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0004/1401592/NPS-Civil-Road-and-Bridge-Contractors-as-at-1-April-2022-A33388208.pdf</u>

Please be advised that some contracts are notifiable and will be listed on the Procurement ACT website in the links provided above. While some other contracts will be non-notifiable and will only sit in our financial management system.

A list of companies that the Territory engages with for streetlight procurement and install has been extracted from our finance system and inserted in the table below.

List of Streetlight Contractors:	List of Streetlight Component suppliers:
W.R Electrical Pty Ltd	Sylvania-Schreder
Electrix Pty Ltd	Phillips
Ecowise Services Pty Ltd	WE-EF
Shepherd Electrical (ACT) Pty Ltd	Light Culture Australia Pty Ltd
Civlec Services Pty Ltd	Vicpole Pty Ltd
Rodgers Electrical Pty Ltd	Ingal EPS Pty Ltd
Southern Cable Services	Multipole Australia Pty Ltd
Hydrovac Solutions	Leadsun Australia Pty Ltd
Ox Traffic	iTron Australasia Pty Ltd
TR Civils	George Brown Electrical Pty Ltd
	Popes Electrical and Data Supplies

Some of the companies listed in the table are not generally contracted directly by the Territory but rather through subcontracts with the principal contractor. This applies especially to the component suppliers, traffic management companies, underboring and civil companies.

In accordance with section 17 of the Act, I have considered the public interest in relation to the list that has been extracted from our systems and have decided to provide you with full access as to this information.

My decision is detailed further in the following statement of reasons.

### Statement of Reasons

In making my decision on disclosing government information, I must identify all relevant factors in schedule 2 of the FOI Act and determine, on balance, where the public interest lies.

In reaching my access decision, I have taken the following into account:

### Factors favouring disclosure in the public interest (Schedule 2, Section 2.1)

- Section 2.1(a)(i) promote open discussion of public affairs and enhance the government's accountability;
- Section 2.1(a)(ii) contribute to positive and informed debate on important issues or matters of public interest;
- Section 2.1(a)(iii) inform the community of the government's operations, including the policies, guidelines and codes of conduct followed by the government in its dealings with members of the community;
- Section 2.1(a)(iv) ensure effective oversight of expenditure of public funds; and
- Section 2.1(a)(viii) reveal the reason for a government decision and any background or contextual information that informed the decision.

### Factors favouring non-disclosure (Schedule 2, Section 2.2)

• No factors identified for non-disclosure.

#### **Online publishing – disclosure log**

Under section 28 of the Act, TCCS maintains an online record of access applications called a disclosure log. Your original access application, my decision and documents will be published in the TCCS disclosure log between 3 - 10 business days from the date of this decision.

Your personal contact details will not be published. You may view the TCCS' disclosure log at <u>https://www.cityservices.act.gov.au/about-us/freedom\_of\_information/disclosure-log</u>.

#### **Ombudsman review**

My decision on your access request is a reviewable decision as identified in Schedule 3 of the Act. You have the right to seek an Ombudsman review of this outcome under section 73 of the Act within 20 working days from the day that my decision is published in TCCS' disclosure log or a longer period allowed by the Ombudsman.

If you wish to request a review of my decision, you may write to the Ombudsman at:

The ACT Ombudsman GPO Box 442 CANBERRA ACT 2601 Via email: actfoi@ombudsman.gov.au

### ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) review

Under section 84 of the Act, if a decision is made under section 82 on an Ombudsman review, you may apply to the ACAT for review of the Ombudsman decision.

Further information may be obtained from ACAT at: ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal Level 4, 1 Moore Street GPO Box 370 CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601 Telephone: (02) 6207 1740 <u>www.acat.act.gov.au</u>

If you have any queries concerning the directorate's processing of your request, or would like further information, please contact the TCCS FOI team on (02) 6207 2987 or email to tccs.foi@act.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Meghan Oldfield Information Officer

April 2022