

## List of consultancies over \$10,000

For the financial year 2016–17

Consultant	Purpose of consultancy	Total approved project fee (ex GST)	Expenditure 2016–17 (ex GST)	Future expenditure (ex GST)
A J Dever Pty Ltd	Strategic and legal advice regarding the implementation of the payment difficulties regulatory framework determined through the energy hardship inquiry	147,000	118,523	28,477
Acil Allen Consulting Pty Ltd	Development and application of methodologies to quantify the anticipated impact associated with our draft recommendations of stage 1 (energy value) of the true value of distributed generation inquiry	49,988	46,255	Nil
Acil Allen Consulting Pty Ltd	Advice to assist setting of the 2017–18 feed-in tariff	72,727	51,045	21,682

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Acil Allen Consulting Pty Ltd	Input and advice relating to implementation of the payment difficulties framework	45,364	34,594	10,770
Acil Allen Consulting Pty Ltd	Payment difficulties framework – impact assessment – benefits and costs to retailers	104,091	80,111	Nil
Allens	Provision of legal advice in relation to our role in monitoring the prices for prescribed services set by the leaseholder of the Port of Melbourne	40,909	19,503	12,152
ARUP P/L	Technical expertise in assisting us to undertake a growth study in local government	68,471	64,326	Nil
Cambridge Economic Policy Associates	Advice on assessment of water price submissions for the 2018 water price review	24,545	21,500	3,045
Deloitte Access Economics	To recommend a suitable proxy measure to use as an efficiency factor in the local government rate cap formula	43,245	38,066	5,180
Deloitte Access	Tariff assessment for Melbourne Water price review final decision	45,455	11,835	Nil

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Economics				
Deloitte Access Economics	Review of Melbourne Water's Quiet Lakes tariff submission	41,671	37,125	Nil
Deloitte Access Economics	Economic and technical advice to assist with Quiet Lakes tariff final decision	41,670	37,125	Nil
Deloitte Access Economics	Financial analysis of higher cap applications for the 2017–18 rating year	36,364	20,418	15,946
Deloitte Access Economics	Assist us in completing our pre-higher-cap analysis of the long term financial position of all local government councils in preparation for 2018–19 higher cap assessments	40,909	37,299	Nil
Deloitte Access Economics	To assist us in finalising a report setting out its findings of its productivity study	27,273	25,000	Nil
Deloitte Access Economics	Assistance on the reporting of energy retailer compliance performance in the <i>Victorian Energy Market Report 2015–16</i>	44,545	15,263	29,283

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Deloitte Access Economics	Assistance on the reporting of energy retailer breach reporting in the <i>Victorian Energy Market Report 2015–16</i>	22,727	22,727	Nil
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	Strategic advice regarding the implementation of the payment difficulties regulatory framework determined through the energy hardship inquiry	44,400	44,400	Nil
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	Input and advice relating to the implementation of the payment difficulties framework by discussing controls and systems that will be impacted and potential cost that could result	130,000	79,786	44,221
Ecocurean Pty Ltd	Economic and technical advice relating to the inquiry into the true value of distributed generation	104,844	54,187	26,906
Farrier Swier Consulting	Provision of advice for regulatory approach to Port of Melbourne price monitoring role	90,909	90,908	Nil
Farrier Swier Consulting	To develop a board resource on the water economic regulation framework	45,455	34,192	11,263

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Farrier Swier Consulting	Assistance on the reporting of energy distributor performance in the <i>Victorian Energy Market Report 2015–16</i>	38,182	29,177	9,005
Hedgehill Pty Ltd	Independent external review of process and approach used in assessing 2016–17 higher cap applications	30,909	26,250	Nil
Hedgehill Pty Ltd	Strategic advice on growth and productivity studies of the local government sector Assistance in assessing higher cap applications to ensure consistency with outcomes of independent review of first year assessments	40,909	40,909	Nil
Jacobs Group (Australia) Pty Ltd	Provision of advice for Victorian Energy Efficiency Target technical issues	30,000	4,730	25,270
Jacobs Group (Australia) Pty Ltd	Testing our framework for identifying quantifying and valuing the network benefits of distributed generation existing and forecast and application of that framework in Victoria	252,558	170,794	81,764
KJA Engaging Solutions	Engagement expertise for the implementation of the Fair Go Rates system	57,273	32,037	Nil

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KJA Engaging Solutions	Provide assistance in managing our media activities for the implementation of the Fair Go Rates System; in particular, the council higher cap applications for the 2016–17 rating year	12,727	10,375	2,352
KPMG	Analysis of the operation of the regulatory framework for remunerating distributed generation for network benefits and advice on potential reforms to that framework	77,273	65,900	11,373
KPMG	Provision of economic regulatory advice in relation to implementation of our proposed water pricing approach	141,740	107,319	Nil
KPMG	Payment Difficulties Framework – benefits and costs to energy customers	72,727	66,000	Nil
KPMG	Assistance in considering methodologies for monitoring energy prices	37,860	37,860	Nil
Maurice Stabb	To provide technical expert advice and quality assurance of assessments of higher cap applications	22,727	3,894	19,187
Mike Roberts	Writing and editing services for the <i>Victorian Energy Market Report 2015–16</i>	20,000	14,700	5,300

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Nuttshell Graphics Pty Ltd	Graphic and report design for the <i>Victorian Energy market Report 2015–16</i>	29,091	28,785	Nil
SACS Consulting Pty Ltd (Vic)	Advice and support in relation to the review of the corporate services at the Essential Services Commission	25,747	23,935	Nil
Sapere Research Group	Assistance in considering methodologies for monitoring energy prices	26,364	24,440	Nil
TBS Consulting Group	Input and advice relating to the ICT costs associated with implementing the payment difficulties framework	52,727	15,000	37,727
Zincara Pty Ltd	A report which identifies, develops and evaluates options for a methodology to calculate unaccounted-for gas benchmarks	50,000	33,325	16,675
		<b>2,331,377</b>	<b>1,719,617</b>	<b>417,579</b>