

Total cost review of CityRail's regular passenger services

Request for Tender

The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of New South Wales invites tenders from consultants to estimate the cost of providing CityRail's regular passenger services taking account of efficiency improvements and to forecast its operating and capital costs for each of the next five financial years. The Tribunal is seeking a suitably qualified consultant to:

- a) review benchmarking studies, and where necessary undertake further benchmarking to overcome information gaps
- b) estimate the efficient operating and capital costs associated with the provision of CityRail's regular passenger services
- c) identify causes of cost inefficiency
- d) identify constraints that may prevent CityRail achieving an efficient level of costs
- e) indicate a transition strategy that would enable CityRail to move toward a more efficient cost structure.

Copies of the consultancy briefs may be obtained from the Tribunal's website, www.ipart.nsw.gov.au under Tenders. Tenders should be lodged by 5.00pm, Monday 20 August 2007.

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