

THE HONOURABLE CAROLINE WAWZONEK  
MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR FINANCE

**GNWT Sole Source Contracting under Procurement Criteria 1.8.2 (a)**

Mr. Speaker, I have a Return to Written Question asked by the Member for Kam Lake on March 6, 2023, regarding the Government of the Northwest Territories Sole Source Contracting under Procurement Criteria 1.8.2 (a).

The Member enquired what portion, by amount and by rate of contracting, is awarded under each of the procurement categories, including Sole Sources by each of the three Criteria under 1.8.2 (a) by GNWT Departments. Later today, at the appropriate time, I will table a document containing this information.

The Member also enquired what the average length of time of contracts awarded under Sole Source Criteria 1.8.2 (a) is. For GNWT department's reportable contracts for the period of April 1, 2021, to December 31, 2022, the average length of time of contracts awarded under Sole Source Criteria 1.8.2 (a) was 144 calendar days.

Additionally, the Member also asked what the rate of Sole Source contracts awarded under criteria 1.8.2 (a) is that undergo change orders. For the period of April 1, 2021, to December 31, 2022, there were 55 contracts, approximately 33%, of the contracts under Sole Source Criteria 1.8.2 (a), that had change orders issued.

Lastly, the Member enquired about the average rate of increase of change orders awarded under Criteria 1.8.2 (a) is. Between the period of April 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021, the average increase for change orders on contracts issued under Sole Source criteria 1.8.2(a) was \$42,800 dollars.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.