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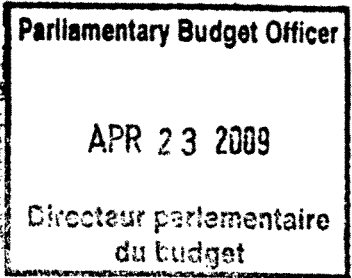
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**PBO INFORMATION REQUEST 007**  
**VICTORIA IN-SERVICE SUPPORT CONTRACT (VISSC) W8483-065814**

Reference: Your letter dated April 3, 2009

1. The following information is provided in response to your Information Request 007 forwarded at the reference.
2. The purpose of the VICTORIA In-Service Support Contract (VISSC) is to provide in-service support to Canada's Victoria Class Submarine (VCS) fleet over the next fifteen years. The work involves submarine engineering, program management, logistics and maintenance materiel procurement. It also includes Extended Docking Work Periods (EDWP) to be conducted by the Contractor. As such, the work to be carried-out under VISSC will predominately be maintenance in nature and will be funded from Vote 1 (Operating and Maintenance budget).
3. During the planned EDWPs, equipment acquired separately by DND, via approved capital acquisition projects (Vote 5), will be delivered to the Contractor and will be installed in the submarine during the EDWPs. Therefore, VISSC will not be the contractual vehicle to acquire new Capital equipment. Capital acquisition contracts will be managed by PWGSC as separate contracts from VISSC and will follow established contractual processes. The funds expended to install and set-to-work this equipment, while payable to the Contractor under the terms and conditions of the VISSC, will be charged to the appropriate funding source through DND's financial system.
4. As appropriate financial authorities and established processes have been and will be used to plan and manage VISSC fiscal activities, no further impact on the Estimates and Fiscal framework is expected.

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5. Please note that a copy of the VISSC contract can be obtained from the Contracting Authority. We have taken the liberty of passing a copy of your request to PWGSC.



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