



October 18, 2012

François Guimont
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Deputy Minister
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Re: PBO Information Request IR0090

Dear Mr. Guimont: *François*

I would like to request copies of two documents pertaining to the National Shipbuilding Procurement Strategy:

1. the umbrella agreement between the Government of Canada and Seaspan as per the National Shipbuilding Procurement Strategy; and
2. the assessment that was undertaken by First Marine International on behalf of the Government of Canada of Seaspan's yard capacity.

This information will be used in confidence to prepare an independent cost estimate for the Royal Canadian Navy's acquisition of the Joint Support Ships, which are part of the non-combat package that was awarded to Seaspan's Vancouver Shipyards.

In order to undertake our analysis in a timely manner, I would greatly appreciate a response by November 1, 2012.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please do not hesitate to contact my staff if any further clarification is required.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kevin Page".

Kevin Page
Parliamentary Budget Officer

CC: Ted Summers, Evaluation Manager, Public Works and Government Services Canada
Rick Stewart, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office, Liaison Secretariat for Macroeconomic Policy



PBO Information Request

REQUEST NUMBER: IR0090

PBO CONTACT NAME: Erin Barkel (erin.barkel@parl.gc.ca; 613- 355-8467)

TYPE OF REQUEST: Ad hoc

PRIORITY: Normal

DATE REQUEST SENT: October 18, 2012

RESPONSE REQUIRED BY: November 1, 2012

PBO OBJECTIVE: A report was requested by a parliamentarian asking for an independent cost estimate of the Joint Support Ships.

RELATION TO MANDATE: Government finances

INFORMATION AND DATA REQUESTED:

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- 2) the assessment that was undertaken by First Marine International on behalf of the Government of Canada of Seaspan's yard capacity.