

# LEGISLATIVE RETURN



SUBMITTED BY: Hon. Nils Clarke, Minister of Highways and Public Works

1. On [date], [MLA]
- asked the following question during the Oral Question Period at page(s) [page numbers] of *Hansard*
  - submitted the following written question – WQ No. #
  - gave notice of the following motion for the production of papers – MPP No. #

RE: [subject]

OR

2. This legislative return relates to a matter outstanding from discussion with Stacey Hassard, Member for Pelly-Nisutlin on March 27, 2024 related to:

Bill No. # 212

Second Reading  Third Reading

Committee of the Whole: Vote 55 Highways and

Public Works

Motion No. #

RE: Mechanical Contracting in Highways and

Public Works

at page(s) 4947 of *Hansard*.

The response is as follows:


**Question:**

1. Currently, the government has gone to putting out service contracts for mechanical services, so I am curious if the minister can provide us with some details as to how many of those contracts are going out?
2. Are they direct-award contracts?
3. Are they standing-offer agreements?
4. How are those contracts currently being awarded? What is the process for Highways and Public Works to be providing those contracts?
5. I guess some details around them — are they just \$50,000 direct-award contracts?

**Response:**

1. Service contracts that are being awarded for mechanical repairs are for those contracts that are unable to be completed using the current available resources.
  - In 2022-23 there were 34 contracts awarded to 6 contractors for a total of \$376,331.15.
  - In 2023-24 there were 57 contracts awarded to 10 contractors for \$1,004,339.47. Of the 57 contracts awarded, 50 were awarded to 2 vendors from a Request for Qualifications.
2. The department issues direct-award contracts to qualified contractors established by a Qualified Source List. If contractors from the source list are not available, the department will approach other heavy equipment mechanical contractors.
3. These are not standing offer agreements. The department uses a Request for Qualifications which is advertised each fiscal year. The result from an Request for Qualifications is a Qualified Source List.

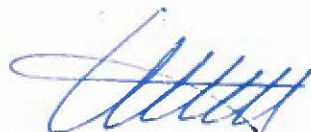
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4. We approach qualified contractors on the Qualified Source List by sequentially working our way down the list to the first available vendor. The contracts are being awarded using the previously established Request for Qualifications.
5. The contracts are a direct award to a prequalified contractor, worth up to \$50,000.

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