The Queensland Government has a number of agencies (including commercialised business units) which can provide goods and services to other agencies, or can provide a managed service on behalf of other agencies.

The Queensland Procurement Policy does not prevent agencies from dealing directly with their own agency or other agencies and in line with the Queensland Government Policy on the Contracting-out of Services, the purchase of services by government agencies from an internal government provider is not regarded as contracting-out.

Agencies which engage other agencies directly to provide goods and/or services are required to satisfy the obligations of the Queensland Procurement Policy. This includes demonstrating that value for money has been achieved, and that any decision taken is transparent and defensible.

In acknowledgement of the above policies, agencies are not obliged to competitively tender for goods and services where value for money in procuring from another agency (including a commercialised business unit) can be assessed by alternative means, such as the direct cost and non-cost factors, along with other things such as operational efficiency and reduction in process duplication.

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