

BURNING OF TYRES

5547. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

- (1) What is the Government's policy on burning tyres?
- (2) Is Cockburn Cement seeking permission to burn waste tyres at its plant in Munster?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

- (1) The Department of Environment and Conservation does not support the burning of tyres in the open, due to uncontrolled release of emissions. Using tyres as a fuel in a controlled industrial process would require assessment on a case by case basis.
 - (2) The Department is not aware of an application from Cockburn Cement Limited seeking permission to burn waste tyres at its plant in Munster.
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