

ESPERANCE PORT — WASTEWATER DISPOSAL

320. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports:

I refer to the treatment and disposal of onsite wastewater at the port of Esperance.

- (1) Does the treatment and disposal of wastewater at the port of Esperance require specialised equipment and specific accreditation, experience and skills related to performing that function?
- (2) If yes to (1), does the contractor currently engaged by the Southern Ports Authority to perform this function comply with those requirements?
- (3) Have there been any safety or environmental matters, reportable or otherwise, related to the treatment and disposal of wastewater at the port of Esperance during 2019–20, 2020–21 and 2021–22 to date?
- (4) If yes to (3), can the minister table those matters?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

Tora, tora, tora!

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Specialist equipment is used to ensure compliance with environmental licence conditions.
- (2) Employees and contractors must comply with licence conditions.
- (3)–(4) No licence breaches for wastewater treatment or disposal were recorded, one matter was self-reported and the other two matters were of a minor nature.