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STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE — "TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT DURING EMERGENCIES GUIDE 2015"

614. Hon MARTIN PRITCHARD to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to the State Emergency Management Committee's "Traffic Management During Emergencies Guide 2015".

- (1) Why was the guide approved on only 24 May 2016?
- (2) By whom was it approved, given that the SEMC meeting was held on 10 May 2016?
- (3) When in the last two years has the minister been briefed by the SEMC on the progress of the plan?
- (4) Can the minister outline what changes were made to the document in the last week, as noted on the SEMC website?

Hon MICHAEL MISCHIN replied:

On behalf of the Minister for Emergency Services, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) The State Emergency Management Committee traffic management guidelines were endorsed by its response subcommittee out of session on 15 September 2015 and noted by the SEMC on 6 October 2015. A renewed guideline reflecting a new document format and style adopted by the SEMC came into effect on 24 May 2016. The new guideline content, apart from statement of fact changes, remains intact.
- (2) The SEMC approved the renewed traffic management emergencies guideline on 10 May 2016, with an effective date of 24 May 2016.
- (3) The minister has not been specifically briefed on this document, although he is briefed on SEMC business and outcomes after each meeting.
- (4) Statement of fact amendments have been made to align the guideline to the new document format and style, and to ensure proper alignment with the state emergency management policy and state emergency management plan.