

WESTPORT — CONTAINER TRADE FORECASTS

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

I refer to the government's failure to provide the updated compound container annual growth rates that underpin its decision to develop the Westport project, as requested in question on notice 250 and questions without notice 396 and 540.

- (1) Has the government now developed updated long-term container trade forecasts?
- (2) If yes to (1), can the minister please table the forecasts?
- (3) If no to (1), can the minister please explain why the government has not yet been able to complete these forecasts given that the original question without notice 540 was asked more than 12 months ago on 18 August 2021?

**Hon SUE ELLERY replied:**

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

- (1)–(3) The Westport business case is currently under development. Long-term container trade forecasts will continue to be updated as truck and rail movement assumptions are refined.