

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (COST RECOVERY) REGULATIONS 2021

824. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

I ask this question on behalf of Hon Tjorn Sibma who is away on urgent parliamentary business.

I refer to the three analyses commissioned by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and undertaken by Ernst and Young and Lisa Byrne Consulting that underpin the cost recovery model proposed under the draft Environmental Protection (Cost Recovery) Regulations 2021.

- (1) Can the minister provide those documents, in whole or in part, to industry stakeholders before the conclusion of the consultation phase on 22 October?
- (2) If not, why not?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I answer on behalf of the minister representing the Minister for Environment.

- (1)–(2) I am advised by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation that as part of the consultation with stakeholders, the department has offered to provide direct briefings on the documents and data to interested stakeholders. This invitation is open until the close of the consultation period.