

EMERGENCY SERVICES — PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

**486. Mr S.K. L'ESTRANGE to the Minister for Emergency Services:**

Given what has happened in Victoria, does the minister have enough items of COVID-19-specific personal protective equipment held in storage for all emergency services personnel and volunteers if a second outbreak of COVID-19 occurs in Western Australia?

**Mr F.M. LOGAN replied:**

Thank you very much indeed for that question, member for Churchlands; it is a good question. The answer is yes, we do. It is being managed through the director general of the Department of Health and the Chief Medical Officer. At every meeting, the state disaster committee is updated on the gamut of PPE that is available, particularly for hospital staff. Through the coordination of the SDC, other government agencies that have frontline interaction with the general public are also checked for their levels of PPE. I point out to the member for Churchlands that the commonwealth also has a significant storage of PPE that can be called upon by the Department of Health in Western Australia and other Departments of Health around Australia at any time.