

CHEEDITHA ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY — POWER OUTAGE

1215. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing:

- (1) Is the Minister aware that a number of houses in the Cheeditha Aboriginal community, on the outskirts of Roebourne, have been without power and water since Cyclone Christine hit the community on 31 December 2013?
- (2) Does the Minister think it's acceptable that families have been without power and water for over five months?
- (3) Will the Minister ensure that the Department of Housing provides the necessary support to the Cheeditha Aboriginal community to ensure that the houses are again liveable as a matter of priority?

**Hon Ken Baston replied:**

- (1)–(3) Since January 2010, the Cheeditha Aboriginal Corporation has independently managed its members' housing and has responsibility for community infrastructure and ongoing repairs and maintenance.