

KIMBERLEY AGRICULTURAL INVESTMENT PTY LTD — GOOMIG LAND LEASE

**1036. Hon DARREN WEST to the minister representing the Minister for Regional Development:**

I refer to the government's announcement on 6 December 2013 that it had signed the Ord development agreement with Kimberley Agricultural Investment Pty Ltd.

- (1) What are the performance milestones that KAI is expected to meet before it is issued a long-term lease over the 7 400 hectares of Goomig land?
- (2) What will be the length and conditions of the lease?
- (3) What is the estimated investment KAI is expected to make in the Goomig land?
- (4) Could the minister please table a copy of the contract; and, if not, why not?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

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

- (1) Performance milestones are documented in relation to the clearing targets, environmental compliance and overall performance. By 30 November 2013, 2 000 hectares will be cleared. By 31 October 2014, 3 000 hectares will be developed and 350 hectares will be cropped. By 31 October 2015, a further 2 500 hectares will be developed and a further 2 100 hectares will be cropped. By October 2016, the remainder of Goomig land leased by Kimberley Agricultural Investment Pty Ltd will be developed and cropped.
- (2) An initial development lease will be for four years. This will then convert to a 10-year lease for certain lots, with options above that, and to 50 years for other lots subject to meeting the above conditions.
- (3) KAI's investment to develop the Goomig land will be in the order of \$7 000 per hectare, or approximately \$50 million.
- (4) No. The agreement contains commercial-in-confidence information that cannot be released unless otherwise agreed between the parties.