

BURU ENERGY — YULLEROO 3 AND 4 WELLS

**383. Hon ROBIN CHAPPLE to the minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

I refer to Legislative Council question on notice 760, dated 20 February 2014.

- (1) I refer to the answer provided to (e)(i). Will the minister table Buru's approved environmental plan that allowed for the discharge of this water into the well site firebreak?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) On what dates was the water discharged to the well site firebreaks?
- (4) On what dates was the water tested for constituents of potential concern and determined to pose no risk to the environment?
- (5) On what date was the department advised of the discharge of this water to the well site firebreaks?
- (6) On what date was the department provided with evidence that the water was tested for constituents of potential concern and determined to pose no risk to the environment?
- (7) If no evidence was provided to the department that the water posed no risk to the environment, why not?
- (8) Was the Environmental Protection Authority or the Department of Environmental Protection advised of the discharge?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

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

- (1) No.
- (2) The content of environmental plans remains confidential under the provisions of the Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967.
- (3) The department is unaware whether the water in the firebreak is discharge water or rainwater. Nevertheless, the department does not require to be notified of the date of the discharge to the firebreak when discharged water has been tested and the chemical content is not of concern.
- (4) The department is unaware of testing of water in the firebreak. See answer to (3).
- (5) See answer to (3).
- (6) See answer to (4).
- (7) Not applicable. See answers to (3) and (4).
- (8) No, not to the knowledge of the Department of Mines and Petroleum.