

WATER SUPPLY - BROOME HEAVY INDUSTRIAL AREA

805. Hon KEN BASTON to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources:

I refer to the water supply to the heavy industrial area along Port Drive in Broome.

- (1) Does the Water Corporation consider the delivery of the existing water supply to the heavy industrial area to be of a satisfactory standard?
- (2) Does the existing supply meet FESA standards for flow rate and pressure; if not, what plans does the Water Corporation have to upgrade the supply so that it will meet FESA standards for flow rate and pressure?
- (3) Does the existing main have the capacity to meet the needs of future development in the heavy industrial area?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

I thank Hon Ken Baston for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes, it meets all pressure and flow requirements as stipulated in the Water Corporation's operating licence.
- (2) FESA requirements for flow rate and pressure vary in accordance with the specific needs of individual developments, and for this reason, the responsibility to meet firefighting requirements for developments rests with lot owners.
- (3) The provision of levels of service - that is, pressure and flow - above that stipulated in the Water Corporation's operating licence are provided upon application from the developers and these are funded by the developers. To date, no formal application has been received for an upgrade to this water supply.