

WATER CORPORATION — HARRIS DAM

**1238. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the minister representing the Minister for Water:**

I refer to the reports that the water level in Harris Dam near Collie is 30 per cent lower than it was at this time last year and that the levels of other smaller dams in the south west are 15 per cent lower than they were at this time last year.

- (1) Were these levels projected by the Water Corporation and taken into consideration when preparing for supply to customers over summer?
- (2) Is the Water Corporation relying on reasonable rain and run-off to replenish the dams next year?
- (3) If a reasonable level of rainfall and run-off is not met, what will the Water Corporation do to continue to supply water next year?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. On behalf of the Minister for Water I advise the following.

- (1)–(3) The Water Corporation is continually reviewing water supply across the state to ensure that summer requirements can be met if winter rainfall and inflow to dams is low.