

ESPERANCE PORT — NICKEL LANDING FACILITY

452. Mr C.J. TALLENTIRE to the Premier:

I have a supplementary question. Given that this project is not included in the budget, could it not be said that the Premier is misleading the people of Esperance?

Mr C.J. BARNETT replied:

No, and I spoke in front of 300 people who were in dismay at the way that they were treated by the Labor Party.

Ms A.J.G. MacTiernan: But that is not in the budget.

Mr C.J. BARNETT: I wish the member would go off to federal politics. She is needed over there.

The project will be orchestrated through the Esperance Port Authority and will no doubt involve capital contributions from the exporters. It is a \$38 million stage 1, and probably another \$80 million stage 2. The project is going ahead.