

H<sub>2</sub>O ASSIST

**957. Hon AMBER-JADE SANDERSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Water:**

I refer to the H<sub>2</sub>O Assist program.

- (1) How much in total has been spent, and how much this financial year, on this program in the following categories—publicity, administration, subsidising actual products, and other costs?
- (2) How much is budgeted to be spent on this program this financial year?
- (3) How many of each product has been purchased to date through the program?
- (4) How much water is estimated to be saved annually by this program and how much has been saved to date?
- (5) What performance measures have been put in place for this program and have they been met to date?

**Hon COL HOLT replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

The answer is in detailed tabular form and I seek leave to have it incorporated into *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

The following material was incorporated —

(1)

	Category	12/13 Expenditure	13/14 Expenditure	TOTAL
i	Publicity	\$140 000	\$65 000	\$205 000
ii	Administration	\$ 60 000	\$ 5 700	\$ 65 700
iii	Subsidising actual products	\$0	\$0	\$0
iv	Other costs	\$0	\$0	\$0
			TOTAL	<b>\$270 700</b>

(2) \$100,000.

(3) Program statistics as at 31 October 2013

Product	Installed to date	Future bookings
Dual flush toilets	220	41
Rainwater tanks	5	0
Pool covers	15	6
Irrigation - new controller	30	13
Irrigation - rescheduling	15	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>79</b>

(4) The program aimed to swap 1,000 inefficient products for water efficient versions by March 2014. If this is achieved, approximately 30,000 kilolitres of water will be saved annually after the first year. As the program only commenced in April 2013, it is too soon to measure savings to date. Generally, program savings are measured one year post-installation.

(5)

Performance Measure	Target	Achieved to date (Yes/No)
Uptake	1,000 products/services by March 2014	-
Safety	Zero Harm	Yes
Installation standards via auditing	100% compliance	Yes
Reputation/Brand	Positive media coverage	Yes
Customer satisfaction	80%	Yes