

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT REGULATION — GD PORK — FIELD SURVEY

4515. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the 'field survey' currently being undertaken by the Department of Environment Regulation (DER) in the vicinity of the GD Pork Pinjarra operation:

- (a) how is the survey team determining which days to perform the survey;
- (b) Is the survey schedule fixed or have weather conditions altered planned activity;
- (c) why is the survey happening in the winter months of July and August; and
- (d) Is DER planning further surveys in the same vicinity as the weather heats up and wind patterns change? If so, when are these surveys planned to happen?

**Mr A.P. Jacob replied:**

- (a) Meteorological forecasts are used to assess days on which surveying can be undertaken. The chance of rain, wind direction and wind speed are the main meteorological factors assessed.
- (b) The survey schedule is not fixed and meteorological conditions are a key factor considered when selecting survey days.
- (c) The survey commenced on 4 September 2015 and subsequent surveys are planned.
- (d) Yes. Additional surveys are planned for October, weather permitting.