

DEPARTMENT OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES — POWER SUPPLY

2934. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to power supply to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services Cockburn headquarters and ask:

- (a) is there a back-up power supply;
- (b) does the loss of power impact the communications system and the ability to communicate with fire stations;
- (c) what contingency plans are in place where power is lost and communications compromised; and
- (d) how many occasions since the facility opened has there been a loss of power affecting communications?

Mr J.M. Francis replied:

The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) advises:

- (a) Yes
- (b) No. A power outage results in DFES enacting contingency plans depending on the duration of the outage.
- (c) The DFES Emergency Services Complex in Cockburn (ESC) is integrated with a generator that provides power to the whole building in the event of a power outage impacting the ESC.
- (d) None