

RECOGNISED BIOSECURITY GROUPS — 1080 BAITES

260. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the restricted chemical product permits required for the use of 1080 baits by recognised biosecurity groups on crown land since 31 December 2022.

- (1) How many permits have been issued to licensed pest control technicians contracted by RBGs to undertake baiting activities on land controlled by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions?
- (2) To which RBGs were those permits issued?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Since 31 December 2022, the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development has issued 13 restricted chemical product permits. DPIRD is currently processing three additional pest management technician licence permit applications, which will cover 68 properties.
- (2) DPIRD has issued permits to the Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association. Additionally, DPIRD is currently supporting a number of RBGs through the permit application process.