

MACHINERY — QUARANTINE INSPECTIONS

1274. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the quarantine inspection of machinery entering Western Australia via road.

- (1) Are inspections carried out at the point of entry into the state or are they carried out at another location?
- (2) If inspections are undertaken at another location —
 - (a) why is this the case;
 - (b) what are the standard opening hours for those locations; and
 - (c) are inspections able to be undertaken outside normal opening hours; and, if so, at what cost?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes. Machinery that is considered a lower risk can be inspected and cleared at point of entry.
- (2)
 - (a) The inspection of machinery considered to be a high biosecurity risk requires facilities and expertise to dismantle machinery. These types of inspections must be done at an approved quarantine facility.
 - (b) Approved quarantine facilities are run by private operators and opening hours vary.
 - (c) Yes, with a booking and subject to inspector availability. Biosecurity inspection fees are determined under the Biosecurity and Agricultural Management Regulations 2013, regulation 125.