

GEOTECHNICAL DRILLING — COLLIE

**801. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

- (1) How many applications have been made to the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety for geotechnical drilling in the Shire of Collie during the period 1 January 2022 to 8 August 2023?
- (2) In each case in part (1), who was the applicant and for what purpose was the application made?
- (3) Which of the applications in part (1) were approved?
- (4) Which of the applications in part (1) were refused?
- (5) Which of the applications in part (1) are yet to be processed?

**Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:**

On behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following response has been provided by the Minister for Mines and Petroleum.

- (1)–(5) Information of this nature exists in the department’s environment assessment and regulatory system, however not in a format that allows for a ready response to this question. The provision of this information involves extracting raw information and requires analysis of each application, which cannot be completed in the time allocated. It is requested that the question be placed on notice to allow sufficient time to gather the information.