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Hon Ben Dawkins; Hon Darren West

WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT — ODOUR MANAGEMENT

1777. Hon Ben Dawkins to the parliamentary secretary to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme (GBRS) amendment 0020/57, the Dalyellup Greenpatch development in close proximity to the Bunbury/Dalyellup Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP), the works approval application (W6637) in January 2022 by Aqwest on behalf of Water Corporation to construct and operate the Water Resource Recovery Scheme (WRRS) within the premises of the Bunbury/Dalyellup WWTP, and licence number L5972/1992/14 amendment on May 2022, and I ask:

- (a) could the Minister provide a copy of the Department of Water and Environmental Reglation (DWER) resolution/s relating to W6637;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) did DWER receive any submissions against works approval W6637;
- (d) could the Minister provide any correspondence between DWER, Water Corporation and the EPA regarding the application to construct and operate the WRRS;
- (e) if no to (d), why not;
- (f) has W6637 been finalised:
 - (i) If yes to (f), would you provide a copy of the documents that confirm this;
 - (ii) if no to (f), why not;
 - (iii) If yes to (f) could you provide any documents that explain the reason why W6637 was finalised; and
 - (iv) if no to (iii), why not; and
- (g) was the request to construct and operate the Waste and Resource Recovery (WRRS) approved through an amendment to the licence:
 - (i) if yes to (g), why was the works approval process was not followed;
 - (ii) if yes to (g), did DWER communicate the change to the stakeholders that submitted to W6637; and
 - (iii) if no to (g), why not?

Hon Darren West replied:

- (a) No.
- (b) DWER has not yet determined Bunbury Water Corporation trading as Aqwest's works approval application W6637 to construct the Bunbury WRRS.
- (c) Yes.
- (d) No.
- (e) This application is still being assessed.
- (f) No.
 - (i) Not applicable.
 - (ii) DWER is awaiting a signed lease agreement for the subject land from Aqwest, to confirm it has occupation and control of the premises.
 - (iii) Not applicable.
 - (iv) Not applicable.
- (g) No.
 - (i) Not applicable.
 - (ii) Not applicable.
 - (iii) Licence L5972/1992/14, held by the Water Corporation, was amended on 31 May 2022 to alter the premises boundary, to excise the subject area of Aqwest's WRRS works approval application W6637. If DWER determines to grant works approval W6637, the WRRS will be a separate prescribed premises under the occupation and control of a separate entity (Aqwest).