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- 5500. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Housing and Works
- 5501. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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- 5520. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
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- 5522. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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- 5530. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- 5531. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5532. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
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5535. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) As at 30 December 2005, what was the total number of full time employee's (FTE's) employed at Western Power?
- (2) Of those referred to in (1), how many were earning over \$100 000 per annum?
- (3) As at 30 June 2007, what was the total number of FTE's employed at -
 - (a) Western Power;
 - (b) Horizon Power;
 - (c) Synergy; and
 - (d) Verve Energy?
- (4) Of those referred to in (3), and in each organisation, how many employees were earning over \$100 000 per annum?
- 5536. Hon Murray Criddle to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- (1) I refer to the Proposed Distribution Headworks Scheme, and ask under the terms of that scheme, what would be the estimated headworks charge for a new connection to a small business (single commercial applicant) requiring 25 kva in the following towns -
 - (a) Beverley;
 - (b) Bremer Bay;
 - (c) Brookton;
 - (d) Calingiri;
 - (e) Corrigin;
 - (f) Cranbrook;
 - (g) Dalwallinu;
 - (h) Dongara;
 - (i) Dowerin;
 - (j) Frankland River;
 - (k) Goomalling;
 - (1) Guilderton;
 - (m) Jurien Bay;

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	(n)	Lake Grace;
	(o)	Lancelin;
	(p)	Morawa;
	(q)	Mullewa;
	(r)	Nannup;
	(s)	Northcliffe;
	(t)	Peaceful Bay;
	(u)	Ravensthorpe;
	(v)	Walpole;
	(w)	Wongan Hills; and
	(x)	Wyalkatchem?
(2)	What would be the estimated headworks charge for a new connection to a single residential block in the towns of -	
	(a)	Beverley;
	(b)	Bremer Bay;
	(c)	Brookton;
	(d)	Calingiri;
	(e)	Corrigin;
	(f)	Cranbrook;
	(g)	Dalwallinu;
	(h)	Dongara;
	(i)	Dowerin;
	(j)	Frankland River;
	(k)	Goomalling;
	(1)	Guilderton;
	(m)	Jurien Bay;
	(n)	Lake Grace;
	(o)	Lancelin;
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	(r)	Nannup;

Northcliffe;

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- (t) Peaceful Bay;
- (u) Ravensthorpe;
- (v) Walpole;
- (w) Wongan Hills; and
- (x) Wyalkatchem?
- 5537. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- (1) Is the Minister aware of a loophole that allows 17 year old P-plate drivers to be treated differently from adult drivers?
- (2) What is the reason for this?
- 5538. Hon Barry House to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to question without notice No. 596, asked on 22 August 2007, and I ask -

- (1) What is Main Roads Western Australia's budget for bridge maintenance?
- (2) What is Main Roads Western Australia's budget for research into better methods of strengthening bridge structures?
- (3) Has Main Roads Western Australia requested additional funding for bridge assessment and repair?
- (4) If yes to (3), what is the status of this request?
- (5) Have 45 or more bridges on major routes such as the Great Northern Highway and North West Coastal Highway been identified as failing to meet the requirements for shear capacity stated in the Australian Standards?
- 5539. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

I refer the Minister to the settlement by Verve Energy with Dr van de Mye, prior to the matter proceeding to trial, and ask -

- (1) Will the Minister provide details as to which court was set to hear the dispute, and what was the date set for the trial?
- (2) Will the Minister table the statement of claims from Dr van de Mye or his representative to the Government or the former Western Power?
- (3) What involvement, is any, did any Minister for Energy have in this matter?

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5540. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

With reference to chemical masking agents, I ask -

- (1) Is the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) aware of the addition of chemical masking agents to refinery emissions by Alcoa?
- (2) If yes to (1) -
 - (a) what chemical masking agents are being used; and
 - (b) in what quantities are they being used?
- (3) Has the DEC given approval for the addition of chemical masking agents to refinery emissions at the Wagerup Alcoa World Alumina Refinery?
- (4) If yes to (3) -
 - (a) what chemical masking agents have been approved; and
 - (b) what quantities have been approved for use?
- (5) If chemical masking agents are in use, will their use have any impact on the air quality monitoring and research currently being undertaken by the DEC and the Yarloop Community?
- (6) If yes to (5), how will they impact the research?
- (7) If no to (5), why not?
- (8) Is the DEC aware of any chemical masking agents in use for the purposes of masking industrial stack and ambient refinery emissions at any industrial premises in Western Australia?
- (9) Does the DEC endorse the use of chemical masking agents for industrial emissions?
- 5541. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

I refer to the Government's promise to 'implement new standards for compost derived from municipal waste' on page 10 of Labor Plan for our Environment, and ask -

- (1) Given that these standards will be vital for the community to have any faith in the compost product -
 - (a) when will they be released; and
 - (b) when and how will they be implemented?
- (2) What level of Government/Waste Management Board funding has been provided to 'develop markets for waste-derived compost' in Western Australia?
- (3) What markets have been developed as a result of these grants?
- (4) How have other local Government bodies/Government and industry benefited from this expenditure?

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- (5) Given the level of Government expenditure, when will a peer reviewed, full scientific study of the compost trials and the market outcomes be released by the Government?
- 5542. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

I refer to the Minister's media statement of 14 July 2007 announcing his 'new plan for old tyres' and ask -

- (1) How many tyres are disposed of in landfill each year now?
- (2) Which landfills take used tyres now and in what quantities?
- (3) How will the Minister's 'new plan for old tyres' be implemented?
- (4) Which dedicated landfill sites will receive the baled tyres from January 2008?
- (5) How is the tyre recycling industry to 'take up the challenge of increasing tyre recycling in Western Australia' in the period between January 2008 and January 2011, when the land filling of used tyres will be banned?
- (6) How will the ban 'eliminate the majority of tyres going into landfill'?
- (7) Is there a strategy of industry encouragement and assistance in place?
- (8) If yes to (7), what is that strategy?
- (9) If no to (7), why not?
- (10) How will the used tyre recycling industry start flourishing as required in the next three years?
- (11) The Minister states, 'It's quite incredible that they can take a worn out old black tyre and create colourful surfaces for playgrounds or walking paths for horses which I am told they love. And the market for these types of products is huge'. What market research has been undertaken to justify these statements?
- (12) What is the Government doing to encourage the tyre recycling industry?
- 5543. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- (1) Is the Minister aware that a major component of the domestic waste stream is organics and that composting is an important strategy to reduce waste?
- (2) How many resources recovery plants in Perth produce waste derived from compost?
- (3) How many of these plants are incorporating biosolids into the compost product and how much?
- (4) What is the total tonnage of waste-derived compost produced now, broken down by plant?
- (5) How many more plants are planned and where?
- (6) How and where is the waste-derived product used?

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- 5544. Hon Anthony Fels to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer
- (1) Please detail all the Office of Shared Services contracts and which Acting Treasurer 'signed off' on each of those contracts?
- (2) Specifically, please detail which under Treasurer signed off on the Oracle contract?
- 5545. Hon Anthony Fels to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- (1) Please detail every category of mental health bed, e.g. locked, secure, closed, open, community?
- (2) Please provide a brief description of what each category means?
- (3) For each category, for each hospital and/or other facility in Western Australia, please detail the number of beds that are potentially available?
- (4) As at Monday 17 September 2007, for each category, for each hospital and/or other facility, please detail the number of beds that were able to be staffed?
- (5) As at Monday 17 September 2007, for each category, for each hospital and/or other facility, please detail the number of beds that were occupied?

MALCOLM PEACOCK

Clerk of the Legislative Council