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# **QUESTIONS**

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# Thursday, 2 December 2010

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- 2897. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development (SO 138(d) response November 25 2010)
- 2899. Hon Kate Doust to the Leader of the House representing the Premier (SO 138(d) response November 25 2010)
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- 3091. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Health
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- 3138. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Health
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- 3158. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health
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- 3166. Hon Adele Farina to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Education
- 3167. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
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3177.	Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water						
3178.	Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism						
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- 3198. Hon Linda Savage to the Minister for Transport
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- 3208. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water
- 3209. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water

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- 3210. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment
- 3211. Hon Ed Dermer to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health
- 3212. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

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- 3213. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
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- 3215. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment
- 3216. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment
- 3217. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Water
- 3218. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
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- 3219. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Transport
- 3220. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
- 3221. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 3222. Hon Matt Benson-Lidholm to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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- 3225. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport
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- 3227. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 3228. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport
- 3229. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport
- 3230. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Commerce
- 3231. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

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3232. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the Layman Ballan BS120 prescribed burn in Wiltshire-Butler and Blackwood River National Parks near Nannup, and ask -

- (1) Was this prescribed burn primarily a biodiversity protection burn?
- (2) Did the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) District Manager and Regional Manager sign off on the prescribed fire plan on 14 September 2010?
- (3) On what day was the edge burn planned to begin?
- (4) On what day did the edge burn begin?
- (5) If there was a delay, what was the reason for the delay?
- (6) On what day was ignition planned to begin?
- (7) On what day did ignition begin?
- (8) If there was a delay, what was the reason for the delay?
- (9) Did any DEC officers from the Wildlife Branch request that the burn be delayed?
- (10) If yes to (9), for what reason(s)?
- Was the release of some 18 endangered Baudin's and Carnaby's black cockatoos from a property adjacent to Helms block postponed because of the prescribed burn?
- (12) Were these birds and their carers placed at risk by the prescribed burn or its escape?
- (13) Has the release of the birds taken place?
- (14) If no to (13), -
  - (a) why not; and
  - (b) when will the release take place?
- (15) Now that some 12,000 hectares of cockatoo habitat south-west of Nannup are no longer suitable habitat for at least five years, will the logging planned for nearby forest in Helms block in 2011 and 2012 be postponed?
- (16) If no to (15), why not?
- (17) How does BS120 prescribed burn in Wiltshire-Butler and Blackwood River National Parks comply with the first recommendation of the Environmental Protection Authority, following its review of the Department of Conservation and Land Management's (CALM's) fire policies and management practices, that in planning the annual burn program, assessment of fire requirements for biodiversity outcomes be given first consideration?

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- (18) Will the Minister please provide a map and photographs showing the extent of the prescribed burn and resulting wildfire and the mosaics, if any, left unburnt as intended (20 40 per cent of the riparian and forest areas of Agonis flexuosa)?
- (19) Was any attempt made by DEC officers to assess the number of dead or injured fauna following the fire?
- (20) If yes to (19), what was the result?
- (21) How will this burn inform DEC's other burns in the South-West on the spring burning list, in light of the current drought conditions and rising temperatures?
- 3233. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the 2009/2010 annual report of the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) and the Key Efficiency Indicator for Sustainable Forest Management, and ask-

- (1) What is the area of State forest and timber reserves for which DEC estimated that its average gross cost for management in accordance with the relevant management plan was \$34.03 per hectare, with the actual cost being \$35.73 per hectare?
- (2) Does the Forest Products Commission (FPC) reimburse DEC for its costs of managing State forest and timber reserves in accordance with the relevant management plan?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) If yes to (2), how much did DEC receive from the FPC last year for this service?
- 3234. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

I refer to the Office of Health Review Annual (OHR) report 2009-2010, especially at pages 14 to 18, and ask -

- (1) Regarding the 520 out of 2349 new complaints that did not comply with the Act -
  - (a) what assistance is provided by the OHR to people who may have difficulty in making a complaint that complies with the Act, including but not limited to -
    - (i) people from a non-English speaking background;
    - (ii) children;
    - (iii) people with mental health issues; and
    - (iv) people with literacy issues?
  - (b) of the 520 non-compliant complaints -
    - (i) how many were outside the prescribed time limit;
    - (ii) how many were due to people not providing essential information required to progress the matter;
    - (iii) what were the other reasons for non-compliance; and

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- (iv) regarding the answer to (1)(b)(iii), how many were due to each of the reasons identified?
- What reasons have been identified by the OHR for the failures referred to in the answers to (1)(b)(i)-(iv)?
- (3) What is the OHR doing to reduce the number of non-compliant complaints?
- (4) How successful have those measures been?
- (5) Given that a further 563 complaints were referred back to the service provider, and that of the 2349 complaints received the OHR resolved 415 complaints at intake and 145 complaints via conciliation, what mechanisms does the OHR have in place to minimise the risk of complainants giving up on their complaint before it is addressed?
- 3235. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Transport representing the Minister for Health

What is the total amount of money spent by the State Government for each individual palliative care bed per day (bed day rate)?

3236. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the Mullingar tailings dam located at the top end of Hare Street East in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM), and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state who is specifically liable and responsible for the rehabilitation of the above referred tailings dam?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Will the Department of Mines and Petroleum(DMP) instruct or direct KCGM to immediately rehabilitate or remove the Mullingar tailings dam surface and walls in order to control environmental impacts of contaminant exposure leading to discharge of acid rock drainage to local water systems and potential impacts on local vegetation assemblages?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Will the DMP instruct or direct KCGM to immediately rehabilitate or remove the Mullingar tailings dam to prevent geotechnical instability leading to erosion and sedimentation or potential public injury?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Why has the DMP failed over many successive years to direct or instruct KCGM to rehabilitate the walls of the Mullingar tailings dam with topsoil, given that at many other mining operations the DMP has instructed or indicated to tenement holders despite the high cost that they require the rehabilitation of old tailings dams in accordance with DMP modern day rehabilitation standards as a means of protecting the environment and risks to the public?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?

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# 3237. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the Mt Percy tailings dam located in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM), and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister provide a detailed Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) map indicating the locations of excessive erosion of the external batters on the Mt Percy tailings dam?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Will the DMP instruct or direct KCGM to immediately fix and rectify any excessive areas of erosion on the Mt Percy tailings dam with a view to ensuring that the rehabilitation is undertaken in such a manner so as to prevent any further ongoing excessive erosion occurring on the Mt Percy tailings dam?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister indicate in the last five years how many inspections by DMP staff visiting the Mt Percy tailings dam have taken place, and why on each occasion excessive erosion of the external batters has not been detected or seen in inspections?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Can the Minister explain why the DMP allowed KCGM to attempt rehabilitation of the Mt Percy Tailings dam without topsoil being utilized as require as part of the previous tenement conditions?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Will the DMP direct and instruct KCGM to immediately rehabilitate the Mt Percy Tailings dam utilizing topsoil of 500mm to cover the embankments, including the scarification or ripping with seed?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?
- (11) Can the Minister indicate the specific last date on which the Mt Percy tailings dam was functional and operational with the deposition of tailings?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?

# 3238. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to Mystery, Union Club and Sir John Open Pits owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM) in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder known as the Mt Percy operations, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister provide the exact date on which the above referred to Mystery open pit mine was last mined and mining operations ceased in and around the pit?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister quote the specific text of what specific sections/regulations of the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994*, *Regulations 1995*, *Mining Act 1978* and *Regulations 1981* are

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applicable for the provision of abandonment bunds around the Mystery and Union Club open pits?

- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister provide the exact date on which the above referred to Union Club open pit was last mined and mining operations ceased in and around the pit?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Does the DMP consider that the geotechnical instability leading to collapse or slumping of the pit walls from the Mystery or Union Club pits is a serious risk to the public water supply tank in the area?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) In the life of mining operations for the Mystery, Union Club and Sir John open pits did any pit wall failures occur at the above referred to mining operations?
- (10) If yes to (9), in what specific years and how many tonnes of material was involved for each pit wall failure at each respective pit?
- Ones the DMP consider that the geotechnical instability leading to the collapse or slumping of the pit walls from the Mystery or Union Club pits is a serious risk to the railway line?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?
- (13) Can the Minister indicate the exact distances in metres from the edge of the Mt Percy public water tank to the edge of the Mystery and Union Club open pits?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?
- (15) Can the Minister indicate the exact distances in metres from the edge of the Mystery and Union Club open pits to the railway line?
- (16) Can the Minister state how many years the Mystery and Union Club open pits have been without abandonment bunding surrounding the entire pits?
- Will the Minister or the DMP instruct or direct KCGM to immediately install abandonment bunding surrounding the entire Mystery and Union Club Open Pits?
- (18) If no to (17), why not?
- 3239. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the Mystery, Union Club and Sir John Open Pits owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM) in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder known as the Mt Percy operations and many other open pits within Western Australia, and I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister explain why abandonment bunding has been installed surrounding the entire Sir John Open Pit, but not entirely surrounding the Mystery and Union Club open pits?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

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- (3) Can the Minister give a precise date on which abandonment bunding was installed surrounding the entire Sir John Open pit?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister list the names and specific locations for all other open pits within Western Australia which do not have abandonment bunding surrounding the entire open pit?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) If yes to (5), why are these pits allowed to remain unbunded?
- (8) Does the Minister and the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) support the non installation of abandonment bunding surrounding the entire Mystery and Union Club open pits given that these pits are in very close proximity to a major city, human population and frequented by tourists?
- (9) If yes to (8), why?
- (10) If no to (8), why?
- (11) Can the Minister explain what financial bonds, if any, cover the specific pit wall failure of the Mystery and Union Club open pits through pit subsidence and wall failure, affecting the Mt Percy public water supply tank and the Trans Australian Railway line?
- (12) If no to (10), why not?
- (13) Will the DMP impose a financial bond on the owners of the tenements to protect the public of Western Australia from being exposed to a major liability in the event of a pit wall failure from the Mystery and Union Club Open pits, impacting on the Mt Percy public water supply tank and the Trans Australian Railway line?
- (14) If no to (12), why not?
- (15) Can the Minister state what are the penalties under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1984*, *Regulations 1995*, *Mining Act 1978* and *Regulations 1981* for a tenement holder failing to install abandonment bunding surrounding open pit mines in Western Australia?
- (16) If no to (14), why not?
- 3240. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Transport

I refer to Sutherland Street in Kalgoorlie Boulder on mining tenements owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont Mining and question on notice No. 28718 asked in the Legislative Council on 12 October 2010, and I ask -

- (1) Will the Minister direct and ensure through Main Roads, that the unsealed section of the road from Collier Place to Yarri Road be closed?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister explain how the police can enforce the road traffic code on a private road which is not dedicated and gazetted?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

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- (5) Can the Minister indicate how many years that Sutherland Street the unsealed section from Collier Place to Yarri Road, has been operating as a private road on mining tenements without being gazetted and dedicated as a public road?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Does the Minister support through main roads the unsealed section of the above referred to road from Collier Place to Yarri Road remaining open, creating major safety concerns, along with dust and potential sterilization of significant gold mineralization resources in the area to the detriment of the wider community?
- (8) If yes to (7), why?
- (9) If no to (7), why not?
- 3241. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the Mullingar tailings dam located at the top end of Hare Street East in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM), and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state why has the Mullingar tailings dam been reported as a contaminated site?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister state who is liable and responsible for the Mullingar Tailings dam as a contaminated site?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister explain why the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) has failed over many successive years to direct or instruct KCGM under various acts administered by the department to remediate, rehabilitate the site or remove the tailings from the area so as to not pose a risk to the environment for the future and the public of Western Australia?
- (6) If no to (7), why not?
- (7) Can the Minister state all the toxic contaminants that are contained within the Mullingar tailings dam for it to be considered a contaminated site?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- 3242. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the Pit lakes within the Mystery and Union Club open pits located in close proximity to Kalgoorlie-Boulder owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont mining, operated and managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM), and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state by quoting the specific text of the legislation on what basis is the pit lake within the Mystery open pit considered to be a contaminated site?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

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- (3) Can the Minister state by quoting the specific text of the legislation on what basis is the pit lake within the Union Club open pit considered to be a contaminated site?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- 3243. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food

I refer to the answer to my question on notice No. 2868, which was asked on 12 October 2010, and ask -

- (1) Regarding the first answer to No. 2868, will you please table a copy of the Audit Checklist of 23 criteria?
- (2) Regarding the third answer to No. 2868 -
  - (a) why was Albany audited when the list of 2010 commercial plantings of genetically modified (GM) canola in Western Australia provided on the Department's website shows no GM canola growers in that region this year;
  - (b) why was Northamptonshire audited 4 times when there are only 3 growers shown on that list;
  - (c) why was Kojunup not audited despite having 17 growers shown on that list;
  - (d) why was Victoria Plains audited 4 times despite having only 5 growers shown on that list;
  - (e) how many individual growers have been audited more than once; and
  - (f) regarding the answer to (2)(e), what are the reasons for this?
- (3) Does the list of 2010 commercial plantings of genetically modified (GM) canola in Western Australia provided on the Department's website accurately record -
  - (a) every Shire where GM canola is being grown in Western Australia;
  - (b) the number of properties where GM canola is grown in each of those Shires; and
  - (c) the number of hectares within each Shire where GM canola is being grown?
- (4) If no to (3)(a) and/or (b) and/or (c) -
  - (a) will you please now table an accurate list of this information;
  - (b) will you ensure that the information on the Department's website is updated to include this information:
  - (c) if no to (4)(a) and/or (b), is this information able to be obtained by you or your Department;
  - (d) if yes to (4)(c), why will you not provide it; and
  - (e) if no to (4)(c) -
    - (i) why not; and

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- (ii) why have you permitted GM canola to be grown in Western Australia without reliable means for getting accurate information about exactly where it is grown?
- (5) What percentage of Shires where GM canola is grown have had at least one audit?
- (6) What percentage of GM canola growers have had at least one audit?
- (7) Regarding the fourth answer to question on notice No. 2868
  - separately from the Minister's written request of May 2010 asking for volunteers to participate in audits, have you or the Department separately encouraged any particular GM canola grower/s to accept the invitation; and
  - (b) if yes to (7)(a) -
    - (i) which growers; and
    - (ii) why?
- (8) Did the Department encourage the GM canola grower near the organic farm of Steve Marsh in the Shire of Kojonup to participate in an audit?
- (9) If yes to (7)(c), why?
- (10) How many audits have occurred in respect of properties where the GM canola grower has not volunteered to participate in an audit?
- (11) How does the Department decide -
  - (a) which Shires in which GM canola is grown are to have an audit; and
  - (b) which particular GM canola growers in those Shires are to have an audit?
- 3244. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Emergency Services
- (1) How many recorded bush fires were there in the 2008-09 fire season?
- (2) In how many bush fires were private property damaged?
- (3) How many of these bush fires were controlled by FESA?
- (4) How many bush fires did FESA manage in the 2007-08 fire season?
- (5) If there was a substantial increase from the 2007-08 season to the 2008-09 season, what processes were in place to ensure that FESA staff had sufficient expertise and numbers for the increased number of bush fires they were required to handle?
- (6) How many of the bush fires in 2008-09 were classified as major fires?
- (7) How many of the major bush fires were coordinated by FESA?
- (8) What monitoring of the effect of last year's legislation has/is being carried out on -
  - (a) FESA workloads;
  - (b) comparing FESA-managed bush fires to Volunteer or DEC managed bush fires; and

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- (c) progress of increasing Interoperability between the fire services?
- 3245. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Energy representing the Minister for Emergency Services

I refer to FESA's dissemination of information to the community regarding bushfires, and ask -

- (1) On how many occasions in the 2009-10 fire season was State Alert used to broadcast messages to the community?
- (2) Were there any instances where FESA's website and phone line did not have information available to the public in advance of property burning?
- 3246. Hon Ken Travers to the Minister for Transport

For each financial year from 2009-10 to 2013-14, I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister advise which Asset Investment projects will receive a contribution from the Commonwealth and for each year -
  - (a) how much money in total will be spent on the project;
  - (b) how much will the Commonwealth contribute to the project; and
  - (c) how much will the State Contribute to the project?
- (2) If the answers to (1) do not cover all of the money listed on page 365 of the 2010-11 Budget under the heading Commonwealth Grants, can the Minister outline for what purpose is the remainder of the money received?
- 3247. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- (1) Has the Government conducted any reviews into the 2008 State Election or any reviews into the WAEC since the 2008 election?
- (2) If yes, who conducted the review?
- (3) What was the cost of the review?
- (4) Will the Minister table a copy of any reports or other outcomes produced as a result of a review?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- 3248. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the undated memorandum addressed to the Warden at http://robinchapple.org.au/node/460 and the access of departmental files by Mrs Carmel McKenzie concerning Prospecting Licences 26/3384, 26/3403, Miscellaneous Licence 26/228, other departmental files, transcript of proceedings dated 1 September 2008 for the Wardens Court concerning Miscellaneous Licence L26/228 and objections to Prospecting Licence 26/3403, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister provide the exact date, which a copy of the above referred to transcript dated 1 September 2010 was provided to Mrs Carmel McKenzie?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

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- (3) Can the Minister state what is the normal fee per page payable to obtain a copy of the wardens court proceedings?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister state the receipt number, receipt date and the fee that was paid by Mrs. Carmel McKenzie to obtain a copy of the above Wardens Court Transcript dated 1 September 2008?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Can the Minister quote the text of all the documents and state what other specific documents were provided by departmental staff members in October 2010, November 2010 to Mrs Carmel McKenzie in relation to all the above referred to matters?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Do departmental officers regularly provide copies of memorandums similar or the same as the above undated memorandum addressed to the Warden from the DMP to members of the public and lawyers?
- (10) If yes to (9), can the Minister quote the text and date of documents provided within the last three months to all members of the public and lawyers?
- (11) Can the Minister state the receipt number, receipt date and the fee that was paid by Mrs. McKenzie to obtain a copy of the above referred to undated memorandum addressed to the Warden?
- (12) If no to (11), why not?
- (13) Will the DMP allow any member of the public to obtain copies of any memorandums on any files addressed to the warden from the DMP without having a subpoena or a granted freedom of information application?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?
- (15) If yes to (13) can the Minister explain how this process of obtaining these memorandums works and operates?
- (16) In the month of October 2010 can the Minister state how many hours and on what specific date(s) Mrs McKenzie was given access to all the above mentioned files and documents on those files?
- (17) If no to (16), why not?
- (18) In the months on October and November 2010, can the Minister state what specific files, specific documents other than those specifically referred to above, including tenement numbers Mrs McKenzie was provided access to in the Kalgoorlie office?
- (19) If no (18), why not?
- (20) If yes to (16 and/or 18) will the Minister identify the officer/s that provided access to these documents, on what authority and why?

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3249. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Lands

I refer to Sutherland Street in Kalgoorlie Boulder on mining tenements owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont Mining and a newspaper article titled 'Govt may rule on road', dated 27 November 2010, which appeared in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* newspaper, and ask -

- (1) Will the Minister direct and ensure that the ungazetted and undedicated section of Sutherland Street is closed immediately to facilitate drilling and open pit mining of the area which contains significant gold mineralization/resources?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) In the event that the Minister decides that the above referred to road is to remain open, will the Minister direct or ensure that legally binding conditions are imposed which clearly eliminate any dust problems to residents which has been documented to be occurring for many years without any positive resolution to the dust problems?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Is the Minister aware that the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder staff have on numerous occasions on 16 April 2007, 30 April 2007, 16 August 2010 and 23 August 2010, recommended to council that the above referred road be closed?
- (6) If no to (5), will the Minister thoroughly investigate with the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder as to the recommendations council staff has repeatedly made in council documents and meetings?
- (7) Does the Minister recognize that the above referred to road has been a safety concern along with dust issues for residents and users of the road for many years without any positive solution?
- (8) If yes to (7), will the Minister take expedient action to eliminate the safety concerns and the generation of dust from this road?
- (9) If no to (7), why not?
- 3250. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to a newspaper article titled 'Carrier fined \$8000', which appeared in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* on 17 November 2010, a newspaper article titled 'Property Rights taken to parliament', which appeared in the *Narrogin Observer* on 27 October 2010, photographs taken on 21 January 2010, depicting clearing of vegetation and construction of bores undertaken with exploration equipment available for viewing at www.mp.wa.gov.au/rchapple/Kaltails, a document dated 3 December 2009 entitled, 'KCGM Mining Proposal and Works Approval Application', a media statement dated 1 May 2005 entitled, 'Unauthorised native vegetation clearing conviction', and another dated 30 November 2009 entitled 'illegal land clearers fined \$10000 each', and I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister explain why the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) decided to prosecute Sakeoc Pty Ltd trading as Kalgoorlie Industrial Services?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Is it correct that there was no evidence Sakeoc was illegally dumping, but there was evidence to confirm the company was transporting waste without a licence?

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- (4) If no to (3), what is specifically correct?
- (5) Can the Minister explain why DEC was so insistent on prosecuting Sakeoc for failing to obtain a licence when the company was transporting waste rather than issuing a warning to the company to comply with the legislation?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) With reference to the newspaper article dated 27 October 2010 referred to above, can the Minister explain why DEC was prepared to spend significant resources and effort to prosecute a Munglinup farmer who cleared native vegetation on his property which resulted in him spending 90 days in jail, for breaching a court order preventing him from clearing land?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Can the Minister explain why DEC is not prepared to spend significant resources in a similar consistent manner as to how other persons referred to above in the media statements have been prosecuted, and at the very least prosecute a large corporation KCGM employees/contractors who have cleared native vegetation as part of exploration/construction activities without obtaining a native vegetation clearing permit under the *Environmental Protection Act* 1986?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?

## 3251. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer the Mt Charlotte ROB (Reward Ore Body) and NOB (Northern Ore body) crown pillars in the vicinity of the Mt Charlotte/Cassidy mining operations owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont Mining managed by KCGM, and the Trans Australian railway line located in the vicinity of the Mystery and Union Club Open Pits, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state whether the above referred to crown pillars below the ROB and NOB proposed open pits have been mined by KCGM?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), on what specific dates did this occur?
- (4) Within the last two years, have any staff from the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) had any discussions with KCGM, Barrick or Newmont mining employees or consultants concerning the relocation and removal of the Trans Australian railway line in the area of the Mt Percy Mystery and Union club open pits, to facilitate the mining of the Lucknow, Pharlap, Westralia lode gold mineralization/resources in the area?
- (5) If yes to (4), on what specific dates did this occur, and what was the specific nature of those discussions?
- (6) Does the DMP support the removal and relocation of the Trans Australian railway line, to facilitate mining taking place in the area which will significantly extend the life of the KCGM open pit operations on the Golden Mile?
- (7) If yes to (6), why?
- (8) If no to (6), why not?

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- (9) Will the Minister insist and advocate to the Minister for Lands that the Sutherland Street gravel road which is not gazetted and dedicated, be immediately closed to facilitate drilling and mining of the Lucknow, Pharlap, Westralia Lode minerlisation/resources, to enable KCGM to undertake open pit mining in the area without the impediment of a road through the area?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?
- 3252. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Energy

I refer the consumption of electricity in all towns throughout Western Australia for the years 2009 and 2010, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister provide a breakdown for the megawatt and/or kilowatt consumptions of electricity per annum in the years 2009 and 2010 for all towns, cities, and other settlements within Western Australia?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- 3253. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to a newspaper article titled 'Ausdrill Super Pit fire unreported', which appeared in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* on Wednesday 1 December 2010 and an incident which occurred at the Super pit operations owned by Barrick Gold and Newmont Mining, a newspaper article titled 'Penalty too Low, KCGM's fine fails to match, consequence, action', which appeared in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* on Tuesday 28 September 2010, and ask -

- (1) Does the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) support the non-reporting of fires and significant incidents at all mines sites within Western Australia?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) What is the penalty under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994* and *Regulations 1995* for a company and a individual failing to report a fire or significant incident to the DMP?
- (4) Will KCGM or Ausdrill as a company, or individuals, involved be prosecuted for the incident referred to above in the newspaper article dated 1 December 2010 by the DMP to send a clear message that it is completely unacceptable for a company or individual to not report a fire or significant incidents to the DMP?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) Can the Minister explain why the DMP will not prosecute KCGM or Ausdrill for the failure to report a fire given there has been a number of deaths at this mine referred to in the newspaper article dated 28 September 2010 to send a clear message to the mining industry that the failure to report a fire or significant incident to the DMP is regarded as a extremely serious matter?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) Can the Minister table and explain with a brief explanation all incidents, including the name and operator of the mine of all the incidents within the last three years for all mines within Western Australia, which have been brought to the attention of the DMP, but have never been reported as required by the legislation?

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- (9) If no to (8), why not?
- (10) Can the Minister explain what is the specific purpose of requiring companies or individuals to report fires and significant incidents to the DMP as a legal requirement given it is widely known by certain companies that it is an accepted practice which will have little consequence in terms of receiving a prosecution from the DMP?
- (11) If no to (10), why not?
- (12) Can the Minister provide specific details including names, mine sites of how many companies and individuals have been prosecuted by the DMP within the last 6 years for a failure to report significant incidents or fires at all mines within Western Australia to the DMP?
- (13) If no to (12), why not?
- 3254. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Environment

I refer to the mining operations of Barrick Gold, Newmont Mining operated by KCGM, and a newspaper article dated 7 July 2008 titled 'Residents anger at pit expansion', which appeared in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* newspaper, and the area of land covering an aboriginal reserve number 24574 and question on notice No. 4973 asked in the Legislative council on 27 June 2007, and ask -

- (1) With reference to question on notice No. 4973, can the Minister explain what specific actions KCGM took to prevent and minimize the risk of hypersaline water tailings spillages from occurring again?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister explain why KCGM was not prosecuted as a result of the spillage which occurred on 27 May 2007?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister state what is the penalty under section 50 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, for discharging waste water which is likely to cause pollution of soil onto the area of land of the Aboriginal reserve?
- (6) If no to (5) why not?
- (7) Since May 2007, can the Minister state how many more spillages of saline water from the KCGM pipeline have occurred onto the land area of the Aboriginal reserve and nearby land?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Has KCGM ,Barrick Gold and Newmont mining reported all of the above referred to spillages onto the area of land known as the Aboriginal reserve referred to above, under the contaminated sites legislation administered by the department?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?
- (11) If yes to (9), on what specific dates did this occur?

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- (12) Can the Minister explain why does the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) regard the area of the hypersaline water spillages as being a contaminated site under legislation?
- (13) If no to (12), why not?
- (14) For each of the spillages since May 2007,can the Minister state how far in metres did the saline water travel from the pipeline bunding and the amount of square metres of soil that the saline water spills impacted upon at the time of the spillages?
- (15) If no to (14), why not?
- (16) Can the Minister explain when is the DEC finally going to prosecute KCGM for incidents of hypersaline water spillages in the area of the land near the Aboriginal reserve which has been repeatedly ongoing for at least 15 to 20 years?
- (17) If no to (16), why not?
- (18) Has KCGM reported all incidents, all areas of land of hypersaline water spillages, tailings spillages which have occurred for all of its operations in the last 20 years, as contaminated sites under the contaminated sites legislation?
- (19) If no to (18), why not?
- (20) What is the monetary penalty for KCGM failing to report spillages of hypersaline water or tailings under the contaminated sites legislation at any of its land/tenure holdings and associated areas?
- Were briefing notes prepared for the Minister by the DEC in relation to all the matters raised in the newspaper article dated 7 July 2008 referred to above?
- (22) If no to (1), why not?
- (23) If yes to (21), on what specific date were these prepared?
- 3255. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Housing

I refer to real estate developments undertaken in partnership between the State Government and private developers, and ask -

- (1) Are joint Government-private real estate developments audited in relation to the affordable land conditions imposed on them?
- (2) If yes to (1), what has been the compliance level in relation to affordable land conditions found by such audits in the last five years?

# **NIGEL LAKE**

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council