

WESTERN AUSTRALIA
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 48

Thursday, 12 December 2013

Questions appear according to the date on which notice was delivered.
When a question has been answered it is removed from the postponed list.

POSTPONED QUESTIONS

Notice Given *Tuesday, 19 November 2013*

591. Hon Ken Travers to the Leader of the House representing the Premier (*SO107(2) response – 11 December 2013*)
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622. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Regional Development

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635. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
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650. Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Corrective Services
651. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport
652. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Treasurer

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653. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
654. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry

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655. Hon Alanna Clohesy to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

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656. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
657. Hon Samantha Rowe to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police

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658. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Minister for Child Protection
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665. Hon Kate Doust to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Finance
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- 678. Hon Adele Farina to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Housing
- 679. Hon Darren West to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 680. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry
- 681. Hon Rick Mazza to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment

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- 682. Hon Darren West to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment
- 683. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
- 684. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

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- 685. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
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689. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Forestry:

- (1) Is the Minister aware of leftover tinder-dry debris from Jarrah saw-logging that occurred in 2010 at Ashendon coupe 2?
- (2) If yes to (1), can the Minister identify how many tonnes of debris were left behind?
- (3) Can the Minister explain the dangers of leftover debris left on forest floors?
- (4) What is the Department of Parks and Wildlife doing to remove the debris from the forest floor?

690. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to the *Australian Financial Review* article of Tuesday, 22 October 2013, page 6, "Palmer in alleged mining act breach", and I ask:

- (a) what were the circumstances that led to International Exploration failing to meet the annual minimum expenditure for tenement numbered E08/1555;
- (b) did International Exploration provide an explanation as to why they failed to meet the annual minimum expenditure for that tenement;
- (c) if yes to (b), will the Minister table that explanation;
- (d) if no to (b), why not;
- (e) will the Minister table all correspondence between the Department of Mines and Petroleum and International Exploration, and any other entity in respect of the company's failure to meet the annual minimum expenditure for tenement number E08/1555;
- (f) will the Minister table all correspondence between Department of Mines and Petroleum and International Exploration, and any other entity in respect of the company's forfeiture or surrender of tenement number E08/1555;
- (g) if no to (e) and/or (f), why not;
- (h) on what date did the Department of Mines and Petroleum become aware of failure of International Exploration to meet their annual minimum expenditure for tenement numbered E08/1555, and how;
- (i) on what date did International Exploration forfeit or surrender tenement numbered E08/1555;
- (j) on what date did Mineralogy Pty Ltd plaintiff International Exploration tenement numbered E08/1555;
- (k) is the Minister aware that Mineralogy Pty Ltd, Australasian Resources Ltd and International Exploration Ltd share the same office at Level 7, 218 St Georges Terrace, Perth;
- (l) is the Minister aware that Australasian Resources Ltd has 100 per cent equity in International Exploration Ltd;

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- (m) is the Minister aware that Mr Clive Palmer is Australasian Resources Limited controlling shareholder with 60 per cent holding of fully paid ordinary shares with Mineralogy holding a further 9.57 per cent holding of fully paid ordinary shares;
- (n) is the Minister aware that Mineralogy Pty Ltd is controlled by Mr Clive Palmer, the Australasian Resources Ltd's controlling shareholder;
- (o) does section 69 of the *Mining Act 1978* allow for related companies to take over leases and not be subject to the provisions of that section;
- (p) if no to (o), why not; and
- (q) if no to (o), why was Mineralogy Pty Ltd allowed to take up the ground released by International Exploration, namely tenement numbered E08/1555?

691. Hon Nick Goiran to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

For 2013-14, what funding is budgeted to be expended on each program or initiative directed specifically at women's health?

692. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy:

- (1) Can the Minister for Energy advise how much money was spent by Western Power on consulting fees for accounting firm Ernst and Young in:
 - (a) 2011-12; and
 - (b) 2012-13?
- (2) For the fees detailed in (1), can the Minister advise of the works contracted and the title of any final reports produced?
- (3) Did Western Power have a value of money audit, in which year was it done and at what cost?

693. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

With regard to former Oombulgurri community members now living in Wyndham, I ask:

- (a) how many former Oombulgurri community residents have been translocated to Wyndham and how many to other Kimberley towns:
 - (i) what are their ages;
 - (ii) how many are now in school or work;
 - (iii) how many have been re-housed and where is this housing located;
 - (iv) how many are still homeless; and
 - (v) how many houses in each of the Kimberley towns to which the translocation occurred have become overcrowded as a result of the closure of Oombulgurri;
- (b) what action is being taken by the Department of Aboriginal Affairs and other government departments to monitor and assist those people who have been translocated; and
- (c) how has the translocation affected the overall health and wellbeing of former Oombulgurri residents, children and adults?

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694. Hon Robin Chapple to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development:

In relation to the proposed developments at James Price Point, I ask:

- (a) has the Minister requested the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) to reassess the proposal for a gas processing plant and other industry at James Price Point;
- (b) if yes to (a), when did the Minister make this request;
- (c) if yes to (a), will the Minister table the document outlining the request;
- (d) if no to (a), does the Minister intend requesting the EPA to reassess the proposal for a gas processing plant and other industry at James Price Point; and
- (e) if yes to (d), when is this likely to take place?

695. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment:

- (1) Are trains in the Western Australian freight network required to have filtering devices fitted to their exhausts?
- (2) If yes to (1), for each device please advise:
 - (a) the name of the device;
 - (b) the emissions filtered; and
 - (c) the amount of emissions filtered?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) If no to (1), what plans does the Government have to introduce emissions filtering devices to freight trains?

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