

PUBLIC

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS

FREMANTLE PORT AUTHORITY

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Thursday 3 September 2009

Minister for Transport

Question A1: Hon K Travers asked what was the Rate of Return achieved by Fremantle Ports in 2008/09 and 2009/10

Answer A1	2008/09	5.3%	Actual
	2009/10	3.5%	Revised Budget

Question A2: Hon L Ravlich asked has the consultative optimum planning group had discussions with or sought advice from representatives of Department of Treasury and Finance or the Treasurer's office; and if so, what has been the nature of the discussions or advice?

Answer A2 No

Question A3: Hon K Travers asked where does the data published on page 137 of Budget Paper no. 3 appear on either page 455 or 456 of Budget Paper No. 2, Volume 2,

Answer A3 This matter refers to the KBJ Bulk Handling Equipment shown at line 7 on page 456 as \$M32.815

The data on page 137 refers to the fact that Government made a policy decision to remove the project from 2009/10 and 2010/11 and moved it to 2011/12 and 2012/13.

In further reviewing the Asset Investment Program, Fremantle Ports moved the project out further still with \$M 1.660 estimated to be required in 2011/12 and 2012/13 with the balance of \$M31.155 moved to beyond the forward estimates. This is the data shown at line 7 on page 456.

Question A4: Hon K Travers asked how many apprentices and trainees do you intend to employ in this financial year at the port authority?
Is it an increase, a decrease or the same as last year?

Answer A4 Fremantle Ports engages the services of commercial organisations for most of it's construction and maintenance projects. Apprentices and trainees presently employed by Fremantle Ports and contractual organisations total 251 persons which is a level similar to last year.