

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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## QUESTIONS

**No. 187**

**Tuesday, 11 March 2008**

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4443. Hon Simon O'Brien to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

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4476. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Multicultural Interests and Citizenship (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4519. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4520. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Small Business (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4521. Hon Peter Collier to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4574. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4575. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Small Business (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

4576. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal-State Relations (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

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4665. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation (*SO 138(d) response - May 2 2007*)

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5921. Hon Shelley Archer to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
5922. Hon Shelley Archer to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
5923. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
5925. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
5926. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
5927. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services

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5930. Hon Ken Baston to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
5931. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
5932. Hon Giz Watson to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources

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5933. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
5934. Hon Shelley Archer to the Minister for Communities
5935. Hon Shelley Archer to the Minister for Communities
5936. Hon Shelley Archer to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
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5957. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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5959. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
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5961. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Employment Protection
5962. Hon Wendy Duncan to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Housing and Works
5963. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
5964. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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5969. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources
5970. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources

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5971. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training

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- 5972. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training
- 5973. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health
- 5974. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Minister for Child Protection
- 5975. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Minister for Child Protection
- 5976. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
- 5977. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources
- 5979. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment
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5982. Hon Brian Ellis to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training

I refer to teacher accommodation at Tammin, where there is an increased school population and expanded teaching staff, and where private rental properties are scarce, and I ask -

- (1) Is the Minister aware that there has been a problem providing Departmental teacher accommodation in Tammin for at least five years?
- (2) Is the Minister aware that the Departmental house allocated to the Principal and guaranteed to be ready prior to the commencement of the 2007 school year took over eight months to be completed and, -
  - (a) the Principal is now residing in a Shire house which the Shire had hoped to resume but continues to provide; and
  - (b) the Teacher now tenanted the Departmental house continues to experience major issues?
- (3) Is the Minister aware that another teacher travels each day from Quairading as there is no accommodation for her in Tammin?
- (4) Is the Minister aware that a newly-appointed teacher and her family were not provided with Departmental accommodation and have been fortunate to be accommodated privately?
- (5) How many Departmental houses will be provided for teachers in Tammin, and when?

5983. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government representing the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) How many expressions of interest have been received by the Department of Education and Training (DET) for the following teacher recruitment strategies -
  - (a) overseas teachers;
  - (b) interstate teachers; and
  - (c) recently retired teachers?
- (2) How many teachers are currently employed in DET schools as a result of each of the teacher recruitment strategies referred to in (1)?

5984. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy

I refer the Minister to his statement to Parliament regarding the January domestic gas supply disruption, and I ask -

- (1) Will the Minister table the briefing alluded to in the statement that identified the need for an extra 10 to 15 terajoules of gas, and if not, why not?

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- (2) Will the Minister table the Office of Energy briefing that included advice about several major gas consumers, and if not, why not?
- (3) Will the Minister table advice given by Verve Energy on options to cover the gas supply interruption, and if not why not?
- (4) If there was no advice sought and obtained from Verve Energy, will the Minister explain why not?

5985. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism

- (1) How many cruise ships visited Fremantle in each of the following years -
  - (a) 2001;
  - (b) 2002;
  - (c) 2003;
  - (d) 2004;
  - (e) 2005;
  - (f) 2006; and
  - (g) 2007?
- (2) How many cruise ships are expected to visit in 2008?
- (3) Does the Western Australian Tourism Commission provide any services at the Fremantle Passenger Terminal to provide assistance to passengers seeking to disembark during cruise ship visits?
- (4) If yes to (3), what services are provided?

5986. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Minister for Child Protection

I refer to foster children in Western Australia, and ask -

- (1) How many children are in foster care as at the end of February 2008?
- (2) How many of these children are being fostered on a permanent care basis?
- (3) If a child has been fostered on a permanent care basis, what is the procedure this takes as opposed to ordinary foster care?
- (4) Are the courts involved in permanent care?

5987. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

Hydro Aluminum (Hydro) is the world's third largest integrated aluminum producer and is at least 43.8 percent beneficially owned by the Norwegian Government. On 17 August 2007, the Minister for State Development, in answer to question on notice No. 4941, indicated that Government agencies had been in communication with Hydro about Mitchell Plateau Temporary Reserve

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TR 70/5610H (TR) since 17 October 2005. The TR is currently held by the Mitchell Plateau Joint Venture (MPJV), split jointly between Rio Tinto (65.625percent) and Alcoa (34.375percent), and I ask -

- (1) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with Arc Energy Ltd and/or its associated entities, including its consultants Arc Energy, in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by Hydro?
- (2) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with Arc Energy Ltd and/or its associated entities, including its consultants Rio Tinto, in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by Rio Tinto?
- (3) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with Arc Energy Ltd and/or its associated entities, including its consultants Alcoa, in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by Alcoa?
- (4) Since 1 May 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa, and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment near Derby, and incorporating one or more of (not all-inclusive), -
  - (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
  - (c) crushers, storage bins, grinding trains, conveyors, ball mills and/or slurry feed and storage tanks;
  - (d) operating digestion units (eg. for caustic concentration), agitators, heat exchangers, flash steam heaters;
  - (e) de-sanding, hydrate storage tanks, mud settling tanks;
  - (f) drying areas to facilitate spreading of thickened red mud slurry;
  - (g) residue disposal areas for disposal of spent sulphuric acid and other residues;
  - (h) port facilities able to accept ships up to at least 75 000 DWT, and including a berthing pocket and turning basin; and
  - (i) port facilities able to receive and dispatch materials required for use by an alumina refinery, such as caustic soda, bulk lime and other specialty chemicals?
- (5) If yes to (4), when were the most recent revisions to the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise provided?

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- (6) If yes to (4), can the Minister please table the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (7) If yes to (4), but no to (6), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the most recent feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (8) If yes to (4), do the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise incorporate scope for the possible involvement of Hydro?
- (9) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with new or updated feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by any member of the Hydro UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment, and incorporating one or more of (not all-inclusive), -
  - (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either LNG or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
  - (c) crushers, storage bins, grinding trains, conveyors, ball mills and/or slurry feed and storage tanks;
  - (d) operating digestion units (eg. for caustic concentration), agitators, heat exchangers, flash steam heaters;
  - (e) de-sanding, hydrate storage tanks, mud settling tanks;
  - (f) drying areas to facilitate spreading of thickened red mud slurry;
  - (g) residue disposal areas for disposal of spent sulphuric acid and other residues;
  - (h) port facilities able to accept ships up to at least 75 000 DWT, and including a berthing pocket and turning basin; and
  - (i) port facilities able to receive and dispatch materials required for use by an alumina refinery, such as caustic soda, bulk lime and other specialty chemicals?
- (10) If yes to (9), when were the most recent revisions to the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise provided?
- (11) If yes to (9), can the Minister please table the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?



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- (12) If yes to (9), but no to (11), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the most recent feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (13) If yes to (9), do the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise, incorporate scope for the possible involvement of Rio Tinto?
- (14) If yes to (9), do the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise, incorporate scope for the possible involvement of Alcoa?
- (15) If yes to (4), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (16) If yes to (15), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (17) If yes to (4), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (18) If yes to (17), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (19) If yes to (9), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (20) If yes to (19), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (21) If yes to (9), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (22) If yes to (21), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by

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- Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (23) If yes to (4), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from the Kalumburu area to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (24) If yes to (23), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated Mitchell bauxite ore from the Kalumburu area to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (25) If yes to (4), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from within 100 kilometres of Kalumburu to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (26) If yes to (25), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Rio Tinto and/or Alcoa and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from the within 100 kilometres of Kalumburu to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (27) If yes to (9), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from the Kalumburu area to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (28) If yes to (27), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the road transport of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from the Mitchell Plateau to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (29) If yes to (9), has the Government or its Agencies (including its consultants), had communications with Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in relation to the barging of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from within 100 kilometres of Kalumburu to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?
- (30) If yes to (29), has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by Hydro/UMC and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), in

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relation to the barging of beneficiated Mitchell Plateau bauxite ore from within 100 kilometres of Kalumburu to an alumina refinery within 60 kilometres of Point Torment?

- (31) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with new or updated feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by any member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery on the Dampier Peninsula in the Kimberley Region, and incorporating one or more of (not all-inclusive), -
- (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either LNG or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
  - (c) crushers, storage bins, grinding trains, conveyors, ball mills and/or slurry feed and storage tanks;
  - (d) operating digestion units (eg. for caustic concentration), agitators, heat exchangers, flash steam heaters;
  - (e) de-sanding, hydrate storage tanks, mud settling tanks;
  - (f) drying areas to facilitate spreading of thickened red mud slurry; and
  - (g) residue disposal areas for disposal of spent sulphuric acid and other residues?
- (32) If yes to (31), when were the most recent revisions to the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise provided?
- (33) If yes to (31), can the Minister please table the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery on the Dampier Peninsula?
- (34) If yes to (31), but no to (33), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the most recent feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery on the Dampier Peninsula?
- (35) Has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with Hydro (including its consultants) in relation to the establishment of its proposed alumina refinery within 100 kilometres of the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the Northern Development Taskforce (NDT) and more recently, by the Garrett Joint Strategic Assessment (JSA), (wherever that may go)?
- (36) If yes to (35), with whom and on what date did these communications first take place?
- (37) If yes to (35), with whom and on what other dates have these communications taken place?
- (38) If yes to (35), can the Minister please table the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with Hydro in relation to the establishment of its

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- proposed alumina refinery in proximity to the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the NDT, and more recently, by the Garrett JSA?
- (39) If yes to (35), but no to (38), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the nature of the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with Hydro in relation to the establishment of its proposed alumina refinery in proximity to the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the NDT, and more recently, by the Garrett JSA, including the content of those communications?
- (40) Has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with UMC (including its consultants) in relation to the establishment of its proposed alumina refinery within 100 kilometres of the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the NDT, and more recently, the JSA, (wherever that may go)?
- (41) If yes to (40), with whom and on what date did these communications first take place?
- (42) If yes to (40), with whom on what other dates have these communications taken place?
- (43) If yes to (40), can the Minister please table the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with UMC in relation to the establishment of its proposed alumina refinery in proximity to the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the NDT, and more recently, by the JSA?
- (44) If yes to (40), but no to (43), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the nature of the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with UMC in relation to the establishment of its proposed alumina refinery in proximity to the proposed common user hub currently under consideration by the NDT, and more recently, by the Garrett JSA, including the content of those communications?
- (45) Has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with Woodside Energy Ltd (WEL) and/or its associated entities (including its consultants) in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV?
- (46) If yes to (45), with whom and on what date did these communications first take place?
- (47) If yes to (45), with whom and on what other dates have these communications taken place?
- (48) If yes to (45), can the Minister please table the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with WEL in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV?
- (49) If yes to (45), but no to (48), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the nature of the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with WEL and/or its associated entities (including its consultants) in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV, including the content of those communications?
- (50) Has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any consultants) had any communications with INPEX BROWSE Ltd (IBL) and/or its associated entities (including its consultants) in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV?

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- (51) If yes to (50), with whom and on what date did these communications first take place?
- (52) If yes to (50), with whom and on what other dates have these communications taken place?
- (53) If yes to (50), can the Minister please table the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with IBL in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV?
- (54) If yes to (50), but no to (53), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the nature of the communications had between the Government or its Agencies (including any consultants) with IBL and/or its associated entities (including its consultants) in relation to the supply of gas to an alumina refinery under consideration by the Hydro/UMC JV, including the content of those communications?
- (55) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with new or updated feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by any member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point, at or near the Mitchell Plateau, and incorporating one or more of (not all-inclusive), -
- (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either LNG or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
  - (c) crushers, storage bins, grinding trains, conveyors, ball mills and/or slurry feed and storage tanks;
  - (d) operating digestion units (eg. for caustic concentration), agitators, heat exchangers, flash steam heaters;
  - (e) de-sanding, hydrate storage tanks, mud settling tanks;
  - (f) drying areas to facilitate spreading of thickened red mud slurry;
  - (g) residue disposal areas for disposal of spent sulphuric acid and other residues;
  - (h) port facilities able to accept ships up to at least 75 000 DWT, and including a berthing pocket and turning basin; and
  - (i) port facilities able to receive and dispatch materials required for use by an alumina refinery, such as caustic soda, bulk lime and other specialty chemicals?
- (56) If yes to (55), when were the most recent revisions to the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise provided?
- (57) If yes to (55), can the Minister please table the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point, at or near the Mitchell Plateau?

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- (58) If yes to (55), but no to (57), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the most recent feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point at or near the Mitchell Plateau?
- (59) Since 1 August 2007, has the Government and/or its Agencies (including any of its consultants) been provided with new or updated feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise by a consortium involving Hydro, Rio Tinto and Alcoa, evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point, at or near the Mitchell Plateau, and incorporating one or more of (not all-inclusive), -
- (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either LNG or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
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  - (h) port facilities able to accept ships up to at least 75 000 DWT, and including a berthing pocket and turning basin; and
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- (a) a power plant and facilities required for using either LNG or natural gas as a fuel;
  - (b) plant support facilities, including workshops, amenities buildings, a central plant control building, chemical laboratory and a main central administration building for one or both of the refinery and mine;
  - (c) crushers, storage bins, grinding trains, conveyors, ball mills and/or slurry feed and storage tanks;

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- (d) operating digestion units (eg. for caustic concentration), agitators, heat exchangers, flash steam heaters;
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- (61) If yes to (60), when were the most recent revisions to the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise provided?
- (62) If yes to (60), can the Minister please table the subject feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point, at or near the Mitchell Plateau?
- (63) If yes to (60), but no to (62), can the Minister please provide a detailed overview of the most recent feasibility studies, business plans, concept documents, or otherwise that have been provided by each member of the Hydro/UMC JV and/or their associated entities (including any consultants affiliated therewith), evaluating the establishment of an alumina refinery at any one of Crystal Head, Port Warrender, Walsh Point or MacGregor Point, at or near the Mitchell Plateau?
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- (h) port facilities able to accept ships up to at least 75 000 DWT, and including a berthing pocket and turning basin; and
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5988. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

With regards to the Minister's answer to question on notice No. 5586 dated 23 October 2007, I ask –

- (1) What are the specific 'anomalies and issues with the documentation provided by the Shire' to which the Minister referred to?
- (2) Did the South West Regional Planning Committee consider the Draft District Town Planning Scheme No.1 (DDTPS) at its December 2007 meeting?
- (3) If yes to (2), what was the outcome of the consideration?
- (4) In view of the DDTPS being at the draft stage for 16 years, does the Minister consider 16 years to be an acceptable time period for establishing a DDTPS for a town experiencing high development pressure?
- (5) If no to (4), does the Minister believe this to be due to the failure of the current and previous Councils of the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River to complete the Scheme in a reasonable time?
- (6) Will the Minister consider taking up the available option of proceeding with the Scheme without further input from the Shire?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) If yes to (6), will the Minister consider progressing the Scheme to gazettal by simply eliminating the unadvertised 'anomalies and issues' included by the Shire in the 2006 draft to then allow any outstanding issues to be addressed by the formal Scheme Amendment process?

5989. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Forestry

With regards to recovery rates, I ask -

- (1) For jarrah sawlogs what is, -
  - (a) the recovery rate of sawn timber;
  - (b) the recovery rate of sawmill residue; and
  - (c) the recovery rate of sawdust?
- (2) For karri sawlogs what is, -
  - (a) the recovery rate of sawn timber;
  - (b) the recovery rate of sawmill residue; and
  - (c) the recovery rate of sawdust?



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- (3) For marri sawlogs what is, -
- (a) the recovery rate of sawn timber;
  - (b) the recovery rate of sawmill residue; and
  - (c) the recovery rate of sawdust?

5990. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

With regards to clearfelling of karri forest, I ask:

- (1) Does the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) define post-clearfelling regrowth that was regenerated using karri seedlings as plantation or native forest?
- (2) If a clearfelled karri coupe is regenerated partly by seed trees and partly using karri seedlings, does the DEC define the regrowth as plantation, native forest, or both?
- (3) How many hectares are there of post-clearfelling karri regrowth regenerated using karri seedlings?
- (4) How many hectares are there of post-clearfelling karri regrowth regenerated by the seed-tree method?
- (5) Has the latter method of regenerating karri been abandoned, and if so, when?
- (6) When was clearfelling of karri forest re-introduced after selection logging was ended?
- (7) What is the total area of karri regrowth regenerated since that date?

5991. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

I refer to the Forest Management Plan (2004 – 2013) and the mid-term audit of performance, required by Ministerial Condition 2 - 2 to be submitted to the Environmental Protection Authority by 31 December 2008, and I ask -

- (1) Who are the officers who will conduct the audit?
- (2) How many full-time equivalent positions will be allocated to the audit?
- (3) When will officers begin work on the audit?
- (4) What public consultation will be undertaken as part of the audit?
- (5) When will the period for public comment begin?
- (6) How much time will be available for public comment?

5992. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Forestry

With regards to the annual allowable cut specified in the Forest Management Plan 2004 - 2013 as 534 000 cubic metres of jarrah bole logs other than first and second grade

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sawlog, 117 000 cubic metres of karri bole logs other than first and second grade sawlog, 196 000 cubic metres of all marri bole logs, and 847 000 cubic metres of all bole logs, I ask -

- (1) In cubic metres, what is the average amount of first and second grade sawlog that it is estimated will be recovered from the bole logs of each of the above specified allowable cuts?
- (2) In tonnes, what is the average amount of first and second grade sawlog that it is estimated will be recovered from the bole logs of each of the above specified allowable cuts?

5993. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Child Protection representing the Minister for Health

With regards to question without notice No. 52, I ask -

- (1) How many consultants' reports have been commissioned by the Department of Health in relation to the siting and development of the hospital?
- (2) Of the reports identified in (1), which ones have, overall, ranked the Vasse site above the current Busselton District Hospital?
- (3) Of the reports identified in (1), which ones have, overall, ranked the Busselton site above the Vasse site?
- (4) If the answer to (2) is none, how is this consistent with the Minister's decision to persist with the Vasse site?

5994. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

I refer to the clearing of native bush for development at Clydebank in Busselton, and I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister please provide a list of clearing permits that have been issued but not yet completed for land currently regarded as providing habitat for Western Ringtail Possums?
- (2) Can the Minister please explain the anomaly around the issue of Western Ringtail Possums being protected under state law but not their habitat?
- (3) Can the Minister please explain how his Department is ensuring the retention of sufficient Western Ringtail Possum habitat in the South West, in particular around Busselton, when clearing of such habitat, as approved at Clydebank, is regularly taking place?
- (4) Does the Minister agree that the introduction of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act* would assist in ensuring the preservation of Western Ringtail Possum habitat?
- (5) If yes to (4), can the Minister give some indication of when the Government intends putting this Act to Parliament?

**MALCOLM PEACOCK**

Clerk of the Legislative Council