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2517. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Fisheries

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2559. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Country Housing Authority first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2560. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Department of Housing first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Department return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2561. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Housing Authority first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2562. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Department of Commerce first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Department return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

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2563. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Real Estate and Business Agents Supervisory Board first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2564. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Settlement Agents Supervisory Board first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2565. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Small Business Development Corporation first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2566. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the State Supply Commission first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
- (3) If yes to (2), -
  - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?

2567. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer

- (1) On what date did the Workcover Western Australia first provide its 2008-09 annual report to the Minister?
- (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?

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- (3) If yes to (2), -
- (a) on what date were changes requested; and
  - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual report to the Minister for tabling?
2568. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Treasurer
- (1) On what date did the Western Australian Technology and Industry Advisory Council first provide its 2008-09 annual activity report to the Minister?
  - (2) Did the Minister request any changes to the annual report prior to tabling?
  - (3) If yes to (2), -
    - (a) on what date were changes requested; and
    - (b) on what date did the Agency return the annual activity report to the Minister for tabling?
2569. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment
- I refer to the answer to my question without notice No. 1589 asked on 29 June 2010, and I ask the following -
- (1) Could the Minister please table the comprehensive species lists referred to in the answer to question (2)?
  - (2) If no to (1), why not?
  - (3) Could the Minister please table the reports from the trials referred to in the answer to question (3)?
  - (4) If no to question (3), why not?
2570. Hon Jon Ford to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
- (1) How many mines in Western Australia are classified by the Department of Mines and Petroleum as having high potential for the incidence of asbestos?
  - (2) What are their names, and who are they operated by?
  - (3) Can you table all of the asbestos management plans for each of these sites?
2571. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism
- I refer to the current Chairman of the Tourism Board of Commissioners tenure on the Board which, according to the Act, is due to expire on the 1 September 2011, and I ask -
- (1) Has there been any discussion between the Minister and the Chairman, regarding the renewal the Chairman's tenure?
  - (2) Does the Minister propose to extend the Chairman's term?
  - (3) Has the Minister advertised or sought nominations from potential candidates to consider for appointment, as Chairman of the Tourism Board of Commissioners?
  - (4) If no to (3), why not?
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2572. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism  
I refer to the Board of Commissioners for Tourism WA, and I ask -

- (1) Who were the members of the Board of Commissioners for each of the financial years, -
  - (a) 2007-2008;
  - (b) 2008-2009; and
  - (c) 2009-2010?
- (2) When was each of the members appointed and for what period?
- (3) What was the annual remuneration or board fees paid to each member including the Chairman for their participation in each of the financial years, -
  - (a) 2007-2008,
  - (b) 2008-2009 and
  - (c) 2009-2010?
- (4) What payments have been made for and on behalf of, each member of the Board of Commissioners, for any and all travel expenses for the financial years, -
  - (a) 2007-2008,
  - (b) 2008-2009 and
  - (c) 2009-2010?
- (5) What is the total cost to taxpayers for the Tourism WA Board of Commissioners, for the financial years, -
  - (a) 2007-2008,
  - (b) 2008-2009 and
  - (c) 2009-2010?
- (6) Has the Minister called for any expressions of interest for the Board of Commissioners, as vacancies arise from time to time?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?

2573. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism  
I refer to the Tourism WA Board of Commissioners, and I ask -

- (1) Have any ex-gratia payments been made to any member of the Board of Commissioners, or any companies owned by their families?
- (2) If yes to (1), who are they?
- (3) Do any members of the Board of Commissioners have a credit card issued by Tourism WA (TWA)?
- (4) If yes to (3), which members?



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- (5) What transactions were made on these credit cards for the 2009-2010 financial year?
- (6) Have any benefits, cash or other payments been provided any member of the Board of Commissioners or any companies owned by their families?
- (7) If yes to (6), what are they?
- (8) Have any cash payments or otherwise been made to the Chamber Commerce and Industry?
- (9) If yes to (8), what payments?
- (10) Has any member of the Board of Commissioners undertaken any travel on behalf of TWA since 2007?
- (11) If yes to (10), what were the, -
  - (a) dates;
  - (b) destination;
  - (c) purpose; and
  - (d) a breakdown of the total cost including air, accommodation and expenses of that travel?

2574. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism  
I refer to the new direction for Tourism WA announced on 20 May 2010, and I ask -

- (1) Was research and/or analysis was undertaken to find world's best practice, of how a State Tourism Agency should be managed?
- (2) If yes to (1), what jurisdictions were examined?
- (3) If no to (1), given the industry during consultation sought a commitment to undertake and define world's best practice model, why not?

2575. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism  
I refer to the loss of 34 FTEs in the 2010-11 financial year, and I ask -

- (1) How many are based in the regions?
- (2) How many are based in Sydney?
- (3) Has there been an assessment of associated costs, such as office leases, with the loss of the FTEs?
- (4) If yes to (3), what is the cost?
- (5) What band/level was paid to each of these FTEs?

2576. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism  
I refer to the loss of 50 FTEs in the 2011-12 financial year, and I ask -

- (1) What band/ level is paid to each of these FTEs?
- (2) From which sections of the Agency will they be lost?

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2577. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

I refer to the closure of the Tourism WA International offices and the introduction of the subcontracting model, I ask -

- (1) What independent analysis and research has been conducted, to ensure that this model is delivering benefits to the State?
- (2) If no analysis and research has been undertaken, does the Government intend to conduct independent analysis to demonstrate if there have been any benefits, from the subcontracting model?
- (3) Has any comparative analysis been done to compare the different models?
- (4) If no to (3), does the Government intend to conduct comparative analysis of the two models to demonstrate what benefits have been realised?
- (5) What are said to be the benefits of the new business model that has been implemented?
- (6) What has been the effect to date?
- (7) Have Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) been established to measure outcomes across all the changes?
- (8) If no to (7), -
  - (a) will KPIs be established; and
  - (b) when?

2578. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

- (1) Does Tourism WA intend to re-establish an advisory board for EventsCorp?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

2579. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

Does Tourism WA intend to provide a Tourism Strategic Plan, to which all other Government Agencies must refer to, when making planning decisions?

2580. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

- (1) What are the Tourism WA Board's top 15 infrastructure projects?
- (2) Does the Board have any timelines for these projects?
- (3) Who will be responsible for pursuing these timelines, for example, the Minister or the Board of Commissioners?
- (4) What guarantees or assurances can the industry expect, regarding levels of recurrent funding in the out years?

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2581. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

I refer to responsibilities which have up until now, been managed by Tourism WA, but have been transferred to Government Agencies, and I ask -

- (1) Will there be a strategic plan provided to these Agencies, to ensure that tourism remains a high priority?
- (2) Will Key Performance Indicators or other measures and/or reporting mechanisms, to ensure that these responsibilities are being carried out efficiently and in a timely manner?
- (3) Who will take responsibility for the Landbank and Naturebank initiatives?
- (4) If they are to be managed by other Agencies, -
  - (a) which Agencies will have responsibility; and
  - (b) what reporting mechanisms will be put in place, to ensure their success?

2582. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Tourism

- (1) How much recurrent funding will the Tourism Council WA receive, from the State Government this financial year?
- (2) How much money did the Tourism Council WA receive, from the State Government as a result of contracts in each of the financial years, -
  - (a) 2009-10;
  - (b) 2008-09;
  - (c) 2007-08; and
  - (d) 2006-2007?
- (3) What total funds were paid to the Tourism Council WA, in each of the financial years, -
  - (a) 2009-10;
  - (b) 2008-09;
  - (c) 2007-08; and
  - (d) 2006-2007?

2583. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the Minister's answer to question No. 269, about funding for apprenticeships and traineeships, where he stated, 'we have just allocated another \$19 million for another seven and a half thousand trainees and apprentices', and I ask -

- (1) Is the estimated actual expenditure of \$9.540 million, for the 2009-10 financial year included in the \$19 million, that the Minister is referring to?
- (2) How many training places were funded in the 2009-10 financial year?
- (3) How many training places are expected to be funded in 2010-11 financial year?

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2584. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

- (1) Is the Minister aware that Private Registered Training Organisations (RTOs), were advised that if they were not able to commence delivery of their courses within a fortnight of places being allocated, then they would lose their funding?
- (2) When did this two week policy commence, and why was it implemented?

2585. Hon Ljiljanna Ravlich to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development

I refer to the last variation process of the Productivity Places Program (PPP) for Private Registered Training Organisations (RTO), and I ask -

- (1) Why were only 10 positions allocated to each RTO?
- (2) Are any RTOs being monitored as a result of them making their courses shorter, in order to be able to make further application for another 10 positions, thereby possibly putting their trainees at risk, of not being properly skilled?

2586. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment

I refer to a media statement dated 16 June 2008, from the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) titled, 'Hazelmore rendering company pays \$25 000 penalty for odour emission', and unreasonable odour emissions of ammonium nitrate fumes from blasts which seriously impacted upon residents which occurred on 11 and 16 February 2010, at a site managed by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd (KCGM), who is the management company for Newmont and Barrick at the Mount Charlotte gold mining operations, and ask -

- (1) Will KCGM be prosecuted under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, for causing unreasonable odour emissions for the incidents on 11 and 16 February 2010, in the same/similar manner as other companies referred to, in the DEC media statements above?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

2587. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment

I refer to question on notice No. 2393 of 6 May 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](http://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) Given the Minister has indicated that the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC), has not received an application to clear native vegetation under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* in the vicinity of the monitoring bores referred to above, will the company/employees/contractors be prosecuted for breaching sections 51 C, 99Q or any other sections of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, in clearing and damaging vegetation in the vicinity of the monitoring bores referred to in the photographs above?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?

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(3) In relation the answer provided for question on notice No. 2393 part (7), can the Minister explain why the impacts of residual cyanide in the groundwater affecting ore processing are beyond the scope of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*?

(4) If no to (3), why not?

2588. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the St Barbara Limited Marvel Loch Underground Mine, located near Southern Cross, and I ask -

(1) Can the Minister state how many mines record book entries, provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices have been issued by the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP), under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95*, at the above operation in the years, -

(a) 2007;

(b) 2008;

(c) 2009; and

(d) 2010?

(2) If no to (1), why not?

(3) If yes to (1), what was each entry notice order issued for?

(4) Can the Minister table the full text for all the mines record book entries, stop work orders, and all types of notices issued by the DMP, under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 9*, in the years, -

(a) 2007;

(b) 2008;

(c) 2009; and

(d) 2010?

(5) If no to (4), why not?

(6) Can the Minister state, how many works directions and stop work orders have been issued by DMP under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 1981* at the above operation in the years, -

(a) 2007;

(b) 2008;

(c) 2009; and

(d) 2010?

(7) If no to (6), why not?

(8) If yes to (6), what was each direction order issued for?

(9) Can the Minister quote the full text for all the works directions, stop work orders issued by the DMP under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 1981*, at the above operation in the years, -

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- (a) 2007;
- (b) 2008;
- (c) 2009; and
- (d) 2010?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?
- (11) Have any written directions in correspondence, been issued by the DMP under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 Regulations 1995* or the *Mining Act 1978 Regulations 1981* for any issues at the above operation?
- (12) If yes to (11), what specifically were the written directions raised in correspondence for?
- (13) Can the Minister state for each tenement held or controlled by St Barbara Limited, -
  - (a) the individual tenement number; and
  - (b) the total amount of the performance bonds held for each tenement by DMP for the above operation?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?

2589. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

With reference to photographs taken on 21 January 2010, of clearing of vegetation and construction of bores undertaken with exploration equipment available for viewing at, [www.mp.wa.gov.au/rchapple/Kaltails](http://www.mp.wa.gov.au/rchapple/Kaltails), a document dated 3 December 2009 titled, 'KCGM Mining Proposal and Works Approval Application', and question on notice No. 2389, 6 May 2010, I ask -

- (1) In relation to the answer for question on notice No. 2389, part (1), can the Minister state on what dates site inspections were undertaken of all the proposed bores, on pages 44 of the document dated 3 December 2009, and all the photographs referred to above?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister quote the specific text of tenement condition number three for general purpose leases 26/165 and G26/166, which existed as of 3 December 2009?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister quote the specific text of tenement condition numbers four and five, for Prospecting Licence 26/2373 which existed as of 3 December 2009?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Given the Minister has stated for question on notice number 2389 parts (3-4) that the Kaltails Mining Proposal is still under assessment, and no approval has been given by the Director of Environment, will the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) initiate forfeiture action on General Purpose Leases 26/165 and G 26/166 for failing to abide by tenement conditions?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Has KCGM employees/contractors breached any tenement conditions on General Purpose leases 26/165, 26/166, Prospecting Licence 26/2373, G26/99- G26/107, and other tenements

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in constructing monitoring bores and clearing vegetation, in the immediate vicinity of these bores?

- (10) If no to (9), why not?
- (11) If yes to (9), will the DMP initiate forfeiture action, and impose a high penalty on the tenement holders?
- (12) Have the tenement holders or KCGM complied with all tenement conditions on G26/165, 26/166, G 26/143, G26/144, G26/99-G 26/107, prospecting licences 26/2790 and 26/2373?
- (13) If no to (12), -
  - (a) why not; and
  - (b) which conditions have not been complied with?

2590. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

With reference to photographs taken on 21 January 2010, of clearing of vegetation and construction of bores undertaken with exploration equipment available for viewing at, [www.mp.wa.gov.au/rchapple/Kaltails](http://www.mp.wa.gov.au/rchapple/Kaltails), a document dated 3 December 2009 titled 'KCGM Mining Proposal and Works Approval Application', and question on notice No. 2389, 6 May 2010, I ask -

- (1) In relation to the answer for question on notice No. 2389 part (1), can the Minister state on what dates site inspections were undertaken of all the proposed bores, on pages 44 of the document dated 3 December 2009, and all the photographs referred to above?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister quote the specific text of tenement condition number three for general purpose leases 26/165 and G26/166, which existed as of 3 December 2009?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister quote the specific text of tenement condition numbers four and five, for Prospecting Licence 26/2373, which existed as of 3 December 2009?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Given the Minister has stated for question on notice No. 2389 parts (3-4), that the Kaltails Mining Proposal is still under assessment, and no approval has been given by the Director of Environment DMP, will the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) initiate forfeiture action on General Purpose Leases 26/165 and G 26/166, for failing to abide by tenement conditions?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Have KCGM employees/contractors breached any tenement conditions on General Purpose leases 26/165, 26/166, Prospecting Licence 26/2373, G26/99- G26/107, and other tenements in constructing monitoring bores and clearing vegetation, in the immediate vicinity of these bores?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?

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- (11) If yes to (9), will the DMP initiate forfeiture action and impose a high penalty on the tenement holders?
- (12) Have the tenement holders or KCGM complied with all tenement conditions on G26/165, 26/166, G 26/143, G26/144, G26/99-G 26/107, prospecting licences 26/2790 and 26/2373?
- (13) If no to (12), -
  - (a) why not; and
  - (b) which conditions have not been complied with?

2591. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to question on notice No. 2432, 20 May 2010, and I ask -

- (1) In light of the answer provided for part (1) for question on notice No. 2432, will the Minister expediently introduce amendments to the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95*, which permit any person regardless of whether that person is a mine employee to make complaints to the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP) inspectorate?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister state why a person has to be an employee to lodge a complaint with the DMP inspectorate, under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95*, in order that the complaint is not refused by an inspector?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

2592. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the Nifty Copper Mine owned by Aditya Birla Minerals, and all tenements as part of this operation located approximately 350 kilometres east of Port Headland, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state how many mines record book entries, provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices have been issued by the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP), under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95*, at the above operations in the years, -
  - (a) 2006;
  - (b) 2007;
  - (c) 2008;
  - (d) 2009; and
  - (e) 2010?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), what was each entry notice order issued for?
- (4) Can the Minister table the full text for all the mines record book entries, stop work orders, and all types of notices issued by the DMP, under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95* in the years, -



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- (a) 2006;
  - (b) 2007;
  - (c) 2008;
  - (d) 2009; and
  - (e) 2010?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) Can the Minister state how many works directions and stop work orders have been issued by DMP, under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 1981*, at the above operations in the years, -
- (a) 2006;
  - (b) 2007;
  - (c) 2008;
  - (d) 2009; and
  - (e) 2010?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) If yes to (6), what was each direction order issued for?
- (9) Can the Minister quote the full text for all the works directions, stop work orders issued by the DMP, under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 1981*, at the above operations in the years, -
- (a) 2006;
  - (b) 2007;
  - (c) 2008;
  - (d) 2009; and
  - (e) 2010?
- (10) If no to (10), why not?
- (11) Have any written directions in correspondence, been issued by the DMP under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 Regulations 1995* or the *Mining Act 1978 Regulations 1981* for any issues at the above operation?
- (12) If yes to (11), what specifically were the written directions raised in correspondence for?
- (13) Can the Minister state for each tenement held or controlled by Aditya Birla Minerals, -
- (a) the individual tenement number; and
  - (b) the total amount of the performance bonds held for each tenement by DMP for the above operation?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?

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- (15) Can the Minister state whether safety non compliance has deteriorated at the above operation, by making reference to all the record book entries, improvement, provisional improvement and prohibition notices for the years, -
- (a) 2006;
  - (b) 2007;
  - (c) 2008;
  - (d) 2009; and
  - (e) 2010?
- (16) If no to (15), why not?
- (17) Can the Minister state on what specific dates a inspection of all equipment on the surface and underground at the above referred to operations was undertaken for checking compliance with the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95*?
- (18) If no to (17), why?
- (19) If yes to (17), what specific issues of non compliance were identified?

2593. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994*, and ask -

- (1) Can the Minister explain what the purpose of section 78 of the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994* is?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) Can the Minister explain what the purpose of section 79 of the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994* is?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Can the Minister explain how important it is for the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP), to have compliance with section 78 of the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994*?
- (6) If no to (5), why not?
- (7) Can the Minister state why it is important for the DMP to have compliance with section 79 of the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994*?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) What is the maximum penalty that can be imposed under the legislation for a failure to comply with sections 78 or 79?

2594. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the St Barbara Limited Gwalia underground mine, King of the Hills, Tower Hill tenements located near Leonora, and I ask -

- (1) Can the Minister state how many mines record book entries, provisional improvement, improvement and prohibition notices have been issued by the Department of Mines and

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Petroleum (DMP), under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95* at the above operations in the years, -

- (a) 2007;
  - (b) 2008;
  - (c) 2009; and
  - (d) 2010?
- (2) If no to (1), why not?
- (3) If yes to (1), what was each entry notice order issued for?
- (4) Can the Minister table the full text for all the mines record book entries, stop work orders, and all types of notices issued by the DMP, under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95* in the years, -
- (a) 2007;
  - (b) 2008;
  - (c) 2009; and
  - (d) 2010?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) Can the Minister state, how many works directions and stop work orders have been issued by DMP, under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 198*, at the above operations in the years, -
- (a) 2007;
  - (b) 2008;
  - (c) 2009; and
  - (d) 2010?
- (7) If no to (6), why not?
- (8) If yes to (6), what was each direction order issued for?
- (9) Can the Minister quote the full text for all the works directions, stop work orders issued by the DMP, under the *Mining Act 1978 and Regulations 1981*, at the above operations in the years, -
- (a) 2007;
  - (b) 2008;
  - (c) 2009; and
  - (d) 2010?
- (10) If no to (10), why not?
- (11) Have any written directions in correspondence, been issued by the DMP, under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 Regulations 1995* or the *Mining Act 1978 Regulations 1981*, for any issues at the above operation?

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- (12) If yes to (11), what specifically were the written directions raised in correspondence for?
- (13) Can the Minister state for each tenement held or controlled by St Barbara Limited, -
- (a) the individual tenement number; and
  - (b) the total amount of the performance bonds held for each tenement by DMP for the above operation?
- (14) If no to (13), why not?

2595. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to the St Barbara Limited Gwalia underground mine, located near Leonora, and I ask -

- (1) Is it correct that within the last three months, an accident occurred at the above referred to mine which involved a forklift and a large drum which became dislodged, and caused serious injuries to another person?
- (2) If no to (1), what specifically is correct in relation to this matter?
- (3) Can the Minister state what specific injuries were sustained to the person referred for the incident in (1)?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) Were any breaches identified by the Department of Mines and Petroleum (DMP), under the *Mines Safety and Inspection Act 1994 and Regulations 95* for the incident referred to in (1)?
- (6) If no to (4), why not?
- (7) If yes to (4), what is the maximum monetary penalty that can be applied under the legislation?

2596. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding of \$145 000 to the Ningaloo Ocean and Earth Research Centre Inc, for a concept plan and business case, and ask -

- (1) Has there been any concept plans previously prepared for the Ningaloo Research Centre?
- (2) Has there been any business plans previously prepared for the Ningaloo Research Centre?
- (3) If yes to (1) or (2), -
  - (a) were any of these plans funded through the State Government, and if so, what were the sources and amounts of funding; and
  - (b) why is this work being duplicated through the Regional Grants Scheme funding?
- (4) What is the estimated total cost to construct the Research Centre?
- (5) What progress, has Ningaloo Ocean and Earth Research Centre Inc, made towards raising money for construction costs?

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2597. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding of \$250 000 and \$400 000 to the Shire of Carnarvon for Carnarvon Airport and Carnarvon Airport runway refurbishment respectively, and ask -

- (1) For each of these two projects, -
  - (a) what is the total cost;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed?
- (2) Has the State Government provided any other funding for work at the Carnarvon Airport in the 2008-09, 2009-10 or 2010-11 financial years?
- (3) If yes to (2), what are the sources and amounts provided, and for what purpose?
- (4) Does the Minister agree with the Carnarvon Shire Council resolution of November 2008 that, 'at some point the needs of the Carnarvon community will not be able to be met by the existing airport'?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?
- (6) If yes to (4), what action has the Minister taken in assisting the Shire of Carnarvon, to establish a new airport?

2598. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding to the Shire of Exmouth, and ask -

- (1) For the grant of \$36 000 for the Exmouth Swimming Pool shade, -
  - (a) what is the total cost of the project;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this work;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed?
- (2) For the grant of \$100 000 for a multipurpose community centre business plan, -
  - (a) what is the total cost to prepare the plan;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this work;
  - (c) has the work on the plan commenced and if not, when is it due to be commence;

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- (d) has the plan been completed and if so, when was it completed;
  - (e) if the plan is not completed, when will it be completed; and
  - (f) if the plan has been completed, has the Shire made any decision about construction of the Centre and/or approached the State Government for funding assistance for construction?
- (3) For the grant of \$300 000 for the Vlamingh Head Lighthouse Precinct, -
- (a) what is the total cost of the project;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this work;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed?
- (4) For the grant of \$500 000 for a Townscape Development Plan, -
- (a) what is the total cost of this project;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this project;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work on the plan commenced and if not, when is it due to be commence;
  - (e) has the plan been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the plan is not completed, when will it be completed?

2599. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding of \$40 300 to the Carnarvon Christian School for a new multipurpose school building, and ask -

- (1) What is the total budget for this building?
- (2) What are the other sources and amounts of funding for this building, if this grant is not the total budget?

2600. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding to the Shire of Carnarvon, and I ask -

- (1) For the grant of \$180 000 for Carnarvon Aquatic Centre improvements, -
  - (a) what is the total cost of the improvements;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for these improvements;
  - (c) what are the details of the improvements to be undertaken;

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- (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed?
- (2) For the grant of \$250 000 for integrated water supply delivery, -
- (a) what is the total cost of the project;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this project;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed;
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed; and
  - (g) what is the role of the Water Corporation, which operates and maintains water supplies in the Gascoyne Region, in this particular project?
- (3) For the grant of \$500 000 for fascine urgent remedial works and enhancement design, -
- (a) what is the total cost of the project;
  - (b) what is the source and amount of any other funding for this work;
  - (c) what are the details of the work to be undertaken;
  - (d) has the work commenced and if not, when is it due to commence;
  - (e) has the work been completed and if so, when was it completed; and
  - (f) if the work is not completed, when will it be completed?

2601. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding of \$48 964 to West Pemberton Avocados for an electricity upgrade, and ask -

- (1) Is West Pemberton Avocados a privately owned business?
- (2) If yes to (1), what is the name/s of the owner or owners?
- (3) What is the total cost of the electricity upgrade?
- (4) Are there significant benefits to the broader community or industry sector resulting from this grant?
- (5) If yes to (4), what are they?
- (6) How many people did West Pemberton Avocados employ prior to the electricity upgrade?
- (7) Has the electricity upgrade been completed?
- (8) If yes to (7), when was it completed?
- (9) If no to (7), when is the upgrade due to be completed?

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2602. Hon Sue Ellery to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Regional Development

I refer to the Regional Grants Scheme funding of \$15 000 to Rapid Ascent Pty Ltd, for the Anaconda Adventure Race, and I ask -

- (1) Does the State Government provide any other funding for the Anaconda Adventure Race?
- (2) If yes to (1), -
  - (a) how much; and
  - (b) from what source?
- (3) Has the State Government provided funding for previous Anaconda Adventure Races?
- (4) If yes to (3), -
  - (a) when was the funding provided;
  - (b) how much was provided for each year; and
  - (c) what source was the funding provided from for each year?
- (5) Is Rapid Ascent Pty Ltd a private venture?
- (6) If yes to (5), what are the name/s of the owner or owners?
- (7) Are there significant benefits to the broader community or industry sector resulting from this grant?
- (8) If yes to (7), what are they?

**MALCOLM PEACOCK**

Clerk of the Legislative Council