

SOUTH WEST HEALTH CAMPUS, RETICULATED ANTI-TERMITE PEST CONTROL SYSTEM

507. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Health

I refer to the answer to Legislative Assembly question on notice No. 57 of 2005, and ask -

- (a) has John Peacock been trained in the installation and servicing of the ALTIS (Advanced Anti-Termite System) reticulation system; and
 - (i) if so, what is his accreditation number;
- (b) during the maintenance and inspection of the ALTIS reticulation system on the dates given, was termiticide injected into the system;
- (c) if chemical injection was done, what was the name of the termiticide used, and what volume(s) were injected into which injection points;
- (d) is John Peacock, or any person involved with this chemical injection, aware of exactly which areas are being serviced by the termiticide injected;
- (e) what was the term of the termite warranty given by the builder, Devaugh; and
- (f) if there are no 'as constructed' drawings held by the Health Campus or John Peacock, how is the pest control system maintained annually?

Mr J.A. McGINTY replied:

- a) No.
- b) Yes, at reticulation recharge points deemed to be high risk.
- c) Biflex 0.25% at 5 litres per linear metre into sites 35, 36, 49 and 28.
- d) Following several requests for Western All Pest to provide the diagram of the system, which is the intellectual information that belongs to the hospital, Western All Pest failed to provide the diagrams. John Peacock has subsequently determined which areas are being serviced by the termiticide injected.
- e) The South West Area Health Service is not in possession of any warranty from DeVaugh and only have knowledge of the standard Altis warranty. Naturalist Pest control (John Peacock) has issued the same warranty cover as provided for by the Altis Anti-termite Irrigation System.
- f) The Pest Control System is maintained by annual inspections of the hospital buildings and treatment of the Irrigation System in accordance with the provisions of the Health (Pesticide) Regulations, AS 3660 Series and Pesticide Product label. Measurements between recharge points have been made and a plan of the recharge points prepared. The system is not due for a full re-treatment until October 2006 and in the interim consideration will likely be given to a non-poisonous option of termite management in favour of the Sentricon or Exterra Baiting systems.