

MINES, INDUSTRY REGULATION AND SAFETY — COMPLIANCE PROGRAM

1628. Hon Wilson Tucker to the parliamentary secretary to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Hydrogen Industry; Industrial Relations:

I refer the Minister to the compliance programme of the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, and I ask, according to month and for the period August 2022 to August 2023:

- (a) how many reports of an incident or of non-compliance were received by the department in relation to:
 - (i) minerals; and
 - (ii) petroleum;
- (b) of the reports of an incident, how many were, and were not, received within the required reporting period of:
 - (i) 24 hours within detection in relation to minerals; and
 - (ii) 2 hours within detection in relation to petroleum;
- (c) in relation to minerals, how many recordable incident reports were received which:
 - (i) stated that a recordable incident took place; and
 - (ii) stated that no recordable incidents took place; and
- (d) in relation to minerals, how many reports of an incident or of non-compliance were investigated and found to be in breach of tenement conditions?

Hon Matthew Swinbourn replied:

The following answers are provided regarding the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety's environmental compliance program under the Mining Act 1978, Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Resources Act 1967, Petroleum Pipelines Act 1969 and Petroleum (Submerged Lands) Act 1982.

- (a) (i) Reports of 88 minerals related incidents were received. The number of reports received each month is tabulated below:

Year	Month	Report of Incident or Noncompliance
2022	August	2
2022	September	7
2022	October	4
2022	November	10
2022	December	7
2023	January	2
2023	February	5
2023	March	8
2023	April	5
2023	May	12
2023	June	8
2023	July	7
2023	August	11
TOTAL		88

- (ii) In relation to petroleum reportable environmental incidents, one reportable incident report was received in April 2023.
- (b) (i) It is not possible to determine how many minerals incident reports were and were not received within the required reporting period as some incidents are still under investigation.
- (ii) One.
- (c) (i) Recordable incidents are not applicable to Minerals.

- (ii) Not applicable.
 - (d) Forty-three incident investigations have been completed. Six were found to be in breach of tenement conditions.
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