

PERTH CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL — LEAD CONTAMINATION

**664. Mr D.J. KELLY to the Minister for Water:**

I have a supplementary question. If it is the minister's view that it is not an issue for the Water Corporation, can she explain the Premier's comments today, and I quote the Premier —

“My understanding is the source of the lead has been detected. It relates to the supply of water going into the hospital, it's not something ... in the hospital...

**Ms M.J. DAVIES replied:**

I just explained that.

**Mr M. McGowan:** So the Premier is wrong?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** No. Was the Leader of the Opposition listening? He was not.

The Water Corporation provides water to the QEII site, and then the water is on-supplied by John Holland to Perth Children's Hospital. There are internal workings where the water is supplied.

**Mr D.J. Kelly:** So the lead's coming from QEII; is that what you're saying?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** I did not hear what the Premier said this morning. There is no issue. The state government has been very clear about this. I stood up and told the member that it was not a Water Corporation issue. The Premier and the Treasurer made comments that we are working to resolve it.

**Mr D.J. Kelly:** So it's coming from QEII?

**Ms M.J. DAVIES:** I have told the member what the Water Corporation has advised me. The Water Corporation has done the testing. There is no lead in our water supply system. We supply to the QEII site, and it is then on-supplied to Perth Children's Hospital. That, it is believed, is where the issue is.