

NORSEMAN GOLD — ALLEGATIONS INVESTIGATION

**500. Hon MATT BENSON-LIDHOLM to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

I refer to alleged concerns about safety, bullying and victimisation at the Norseman Gold operations and the serious concerns that Mr Shaun Maddock and others from the Department of Mines and Petroleum inspectorate raised with the minister.

- (1) Has the minister requested an investigation into these concerns?
- (2) If yes to (1), who will carry out the investigation, what will be the terms of reference and when does the minister expect the investigation to be completed?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?
- (4) If yes to (1), will the minister table the report upon its completion?
- (5) If no to (4), why not?

**Hon NORMAN MOORE replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The investigation will be carried out by PricewaterhouseCoopers. I believe that the terms of reference should be kept confidential at this stage. I anticipate that the investigation and its final report will be completed by mid-September 2010.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) I will determine if the report is to be tabled after I have studied its contents and its recommendations.
- (5) Refer to (4).