

DUST EMISSIONS — GERALDTON PORT

58. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Ports:

I refer to the ongoing fugitive dust emission issues at the port of Geraldton.

- (1) Does the minister acknowledge that, notwithstanding the installation of the DustTamer fencing and dust reduction initiatives undertaken at the port during 2022–23, the community of Geraldton is still being impacted by fugitive dust emissions from the port of Geraldton?
- (2) If yes to (1), what specific actions are being undertaken by Mid West Ports Authority to address this situation?
- (3) Did the minister or his office received a briefing from Mid West Ports Authority specifically regarding the dust issue during 2023 or 2024 to date?
- (4) If yes to (3), on which dates did these briefings occur?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(4) Mid West Ports Authority continues to monitor dust emission performance of all its facilities and has a program of ongoing works to maintain standards. The minister been briefed on the issue on his visits to the port of Geraldton and is regularly updated on the progress of works.