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WORKSAFE — DIRECTIONS AND NOTICES

2102. Hon Tjorn Sibma to the minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Industrial Relations: For the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 (year to date), can the Minister advise by industry sector:

- (a) how many verbal directions were issued by WorkSafe;
- (b) how many improvement notices were issued by WorkSafe;
- (c) how many prohibition notices were issued by WorkSafe; and
- (d) how many provisional improvement notices (PINs) were confirmed, modified or cancelled by WorkSafe?

Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:

- (a) A Verbal Direction can only be issued in situations where a breach of the *Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984*, and its accompanying regulations, can be immediately fixed and inspected prior to the WorkSafe inspector leaving the site. The WorkSafe Information Systems Environment (WISE) does not record Verbal Directions in a searchable field. It is not feasible to search through 13,699 workplace visit records to identify all the verbal directions that may have been issued by WorkSafe.
- (b) [See tabled paper no 2773] outlining the total number of improvement notices issued according to current Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classifications (ANZSIC) for the full years 2017, 2018; and 2019 (up to 17 May 2019).
- (c) [See tabled paper no 2773] outlining the total number of prohibition notices issued according to current Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classifications (ANZSIC) for the full years 2017, 2018; and 2019 (up to 17 May 2019).
- (d) WorkSafe has reviewed the following provisional improvement notices (PINs):

2017: Nil PINs confirmed; 2 PINs cancelled and nil PINs modified.

2018: Nil PINs confirmed; 5 PINs cancelled and nil PINs modified.

2019 (up to 17 May 2019): Nil PIN review requests received.