

DISCHARGE OF FORMATION WATER AT GAS FIELDS

4849. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for the Environment

With regard to the discharge of formation water at various platforms/fields, I ask -

- (1) Will the Minister provide the quantities of formation water annually discharged as totals and as a percentage to the gas and condensate from Rankin A?
- (2) Will the Minister provide the quantities of formation water annually discharged as totals and as a percentage to the gas and condensate from Goodwin?
- (3) Will the Minister provide an estimate of the quantities of formation water annually discharged as totals and as a percentage to the gas and condensate from the Gorgon field?
- (4) Will the Minister provide an estimate of the quantities of formation water annually discharged as totals and as a percentage to the gas and condensate from the Jansz field?
- (5) Will the Minister also provide the date, as to the litres per hour formation water discharged from the above sites?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

- (1) Quantities of produced formation water discharged from the Rankin A platform are not required to be reported to the Department of Environment and Conservation. The Rankin A platform is not located within State waters.
- (2) Quantities of produced formation water discharged from the Goodwin platform are not required to be reported to the Department of Environment and Conservation. The Goodwin platform is not located within State waters.
- (3) It is proposed that produced formation water from the Gorgon gas field will be treated and injected into a formation beneath Barrow Island. The estimated quantity of produced formation water from the Gorgon gas field is unknown at this time.
- (4) It is proposed that produced formation water from the Jansz gas field will be treated and injected into a formation beneath Barrow Island. The estimated quantity of produced formation water from the Jansz gas field is unknown at this time.
- (5) Not applicable.