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BUSSELTON - PORT GEOGRAPHE DEVELOPMENT ODOURS

858. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the minister representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Port Geographe development in Busselton and, in particular, to the government-endorsed seagrass wrack and sand bypassing operation currently underway.

- (1) Has the Department of Health received any reports on issues associated with hydrogen sulfide or other chemical-related health problems from the Port Geographe area?
- (2) If yes to (1), how many?
- (3) If yes to (1), what are the dates of each report?

Hon KATE DOUST replied:

On behalf of the minister representing the Minister for Health, I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) No.
- (2)-(3) Not applicable.

A note attached to the answer states that the Department of Health has received several queries from members of the public regarding odours associated with seagrass at Port Geographe. The Department of Health has advised the local shire regarding further investigations into hydrogen sulfide levels associated with the seagrass.