

WATER DESALINATION PLANT — DENMARK

369. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources:

- (1) What is the total cost to supply and install a desalination plant at the water treatment plant servicing Denmark?
- (2) When is it anticipated that the desalination plant will be operational?
- (3) How will the plant be powered given that there are inadequate electricity supplies in the region?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

On behalf of the Leader of the House, I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The desalination plant proposed for Denmark comprises two containerised units currently used by the Water Corporation. The cost to refurbish the units and install them at Denmark is estimated at \$200 000.
- (2) It is anticipated that the units will be operational in August-September 2008.
- (3) The units will be powered by an independent onsite diesel generator.