

POULTRY LITTER-FIRED POWER STATION, MUNICIPAL WASTE

777. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

I refer the Minister to the assessment by the Environmental Protection Authority on the 'Poultry Litter Fired Power Station' and ask -

- (a) will Municipal Waste be allowed to be used in the Poultry Litter Fired Power Station;
- (b) if yes, what restrictions will be in place for what type and percentage of waste that can be used in the fuel feed stock;
- (c) will the fly ash of Municipal waste be treated differently to other fly ash waste;
- (d) if fly ash is to be used as a fertiliser, how can quality be guaranteed when waste is mixed;
- (e) how will unsold fly ash be disposed of; and
- (f) if Municipal waste is used will the burn temperature be increased to produce a cleaner emission?

Dr J.M. EDWARDS replied:

- (a) No. The EPA has recommended a condition which disallows the combustion of Municipal Solid Waste. The Environmental Protection Authority's report and recommendations for this proposal is currently the subject of appeals under the Environmental Protection Act 1986.
- (b)-(f) Not applicable.