

BUSSELTON - PORT GEOGRAPHE DEVELOPMENT ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

**896. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for the Environment:**

Referring to the environmental monitoring and management plan associated with the Port Geographe project in Busselton, particularly to the water quality monitoring as specified in section 3 of the EMMP, the EMMP requires that sampling be conducted on a semi-annual basis - January and July - during the first four years after construction and quarterly during the fifth year.

- (1) Have these testing requirements been adhered to in accordance with the EMMP over each of the first five years as per sections -
  - (a) 3.4.2 on water quality;
  - (b) 3.4.3 on metals in biotas; and
  - (c) 3.4.4 on sediment quality?
- (2) Please provide the test results from each of the above sections throughout the first five years.
- (3) Please provide details of the testing regime currently in place.

**Hon ADELE FARINA replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question. On behalf of the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for the Environment, I provide the following answer -

- (1) No.
- (2) Only one report was received during the first five years, and I will table that report.
- (3) In answer to the third comment, which is not really a question, I will also table the test results.

[See paper 3353.]