

WATER MONITORING AND SAMPLING — MURRAY RIVER

168. Hon RICK MAZZA to the minister representing the Minister for Fisheries:

I refer to the ongoing monitoring and water sampling of the Murray River.

- (1) Is there a protocol for targeting and collecting these samples?
- (2) Where samples are found to be outside “normal”, is there a protocol that enacts a specific management action?
- (3) If yes to (2), what is that protocol?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

The Minister for Fisheries has provided the following answer —

- (1)–(2) Yes.
- (3) Where algal test results exceed established triggers for particular species, the Department of Health and local government authorities are notified.
- (4) Not applicable.