Multiplex - Answers to questions taken on notice at hearing on 4 December 2017

Question 1 - Do WorkSafe inspectors notify Multiplex before doing a visit on a worksite?

Yes, I understand that they notify on arrival at site.

Question 2 - Do you or your employees have any experience with WorkSafe questioning you or your employees after an accident and what was the experience like; and do you have any views on that process by WorkSafe?

I would not know if any employees have experience in answering questions in respect to a workplace fatality. I understand that some multiplex employees have some experience in answering questions from WorkSafe in response to a reportable incident. My understanding is that the experience was professional and measured, WorkSafe sort to discover the incident factors.

Question 3 - Do you think that unions should play a greater role in investigating safety breaches? For example, should union representatives participate in on-site inspections by WorkSafe inspectors?

I think that the current arrangements for unions to investigate breaches under right of entry protocols are sufficient.

Question 4 - Do you think WorkSafe's website is user friendly and is accessed by workers and employers to access information about safety?

Yes, the website is user friendly, some of our employees would use the website to access information about safety.

Answer to Question 5 - When was the last safety alert issued by WorkSafe?

I think the last safety type of alert or notification or media release was issued by WorkSafe in November.

Answer to Question 6 - The committee has heard evidence that an industrial manslaughter offence should be introduced in Western Australia to hold those in responsibility personally accountable in the case of a workplace fatality for failing to take all reasonable measures to provide a safe workplace or for failing to act to remedy safety breaches. Do you have a view about this?

I believe appropriate measures should be in place, what those measures are would require me to undertake consultation with others whom are better versed to make constructive comment on the effectiveness of industrial manslaughter laws.