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- 3379. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Treasurer

I refer to a letter sent from Mr Richard O'Shannassy, a lawyer acting in the interests for the Farm Business Continuation Option of Mr Barry Edgar of Waroona to the Minister for Industry and Resources and consequently forwarded by the Minister to you, and I ask;

- (a) have you responded to the letter;
- (b) if not, when will you respond; and
- (c) what action have you taken in relation to this matter, or what is your timeframe for action?

- 3380. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for Education and Training

- (1) Has the Department of Education and Training been involved in a Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in conjunction with the Western Australian Police Service?
- (2) If yes to (1), for how long a period of time was this carried out and to what extent?
- (3) What were the objectives of the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (4) Is it correct that approximately 18–20 months ago the Western Australian Police Service dropped the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program), with the Department of Education and Training indicating or stating they would pick the program up?
- (5) If yes to (4), when did the Department of Education commence implementing the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (6) If no to (4), why hasn't this happened?
- (7) Does the Minister support the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (8) If no (7), why not?
- (9) If yes to (7), why?

- (10) What amount of money has been allocated to run the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in the Goldfields?
- (11) What has happened to the bikes, vans and other equipment which had been made available for the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in the Goldfields?
- (12) Will the equipment detailed in (11) be made available to any organisation which may be interested in running the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in the Goldfields?

3381. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

- (1) Has the Western Australian Police Service in the Goldfields been involved in a Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (2) If yes to (1), for how long a period of time was this carried out and to what extent?
- (3) What were the objectives of the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (4) Is it correct that approximately 18–20 months ago the Western Australian Police Service dropped the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program), with the Department of Education and Training indicating or stating they would pick the program up?
- (5) If yes to (4), when did the Department of Education commence implementing the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program)?
- (6) If no to (4), why hasn't this happened?
- (7) What was the amount of money previously allocated to run the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in the Goldfields?
- (8) What has happened to the bikes, vans and other equipment which had been made available for the Children's Road Aware Program (Bike Education Program) in the Goldfields?

3382. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister representing the Minister for Local Government

I refer to the recent case heard by Magistrate Catherine Crawford involving allegations of animal cruelty by Emanuel Export Pty Ltd, and I ask:

- (a) what were the allegations made about Emanuel Export Pty Ltd;
- (b) what was the finding made by Magistrate Crawford;
- (c) is it true that the magistrate found the defendants guilty but imposed no penalty; and
  - (i) if so, why not;
- (d) was there a technical issue regarding this case that involves some conflict between State and Commonwealth law and, if so, what was that conflict;
- (e) did the Solicitor General or any other State Government officer recommend an appeal be lodged against this decision;
- (f) if so, who made those recommendations and why;
- (g) was an appeal lodged;
- (h) was the appeal subsequently heard or withdrawn and, if so, why and on whose instructions;
- (i) did the Minister for Local Government give any instructions regarding the appeal and, if so, under which section of which Act was this done;
- (j) did the Minister for Local Government make any recommendation to withdraw the appeal and, if so, what were the reasons for this recommendation;

- (k) if the answer to (i) or (j) is yes, did the Director General for the Department of Local Government agree with any instruction given or recommendation made by the Minister for Local Government with respect to this appeal and, if not, why not; and
- (l) what further action will the Government now take regarding this matter?

3383. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to Budget Paper 2008-2009 Number 2 Volume 2, page 703. The bottom of the page lists Key Efficiency Indicators:

- (a) with regards to indicator two – “Statutory planning applications processed with statutory timeframes” I ask in relation to the 2007-2008 financial year;
  - (i) what is the absolute number of applications submitted;
  - (ii) what absolute number of applications were processed within statutory timeframes?
  - (iii) what was the average timeframe taken for applications that were not processed within statutory timeframes?
  - (iv) what was the longest timeframe required for processing an application?
  - (v) what number of additional planners would be required to deliver the Government target of 80% of applications within statutory timeframes?
  - (vi) what number of additional planners would be required to deliver the 100% of applications within statutory timeframes?
- (b) with regards to indicator three – “Town Planning Scheme amendments (for final approval) processed within non-statutory timeframes” I ask in relation to the 2007-2008 financial year;
  - (i) what is the absolute number of amendments submitted;
  - (ii) what absolute number of amendments were processed within statutory timeframes;
  - (iii) what was the average timeframe taken for amendments that were not processed within statutory timeframes;
  - (iv) what was the longest timeframe required for processing an amendment;
  - (v) what number of additional planners would be required to deliver the Government target of 80% of amendments within non-statutory timeframes; and
  - (vi) what number of additional planners would be required to deliver the 100% of amendments within non-statutory timeframes?

3384. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for the Environment

I refer to Question on Notice 3171, answered on 1 May 2008 regarding the Ludlow Forest National Park rehabilitation and the Minister’s response, I ask:

- (a) who is on the Management Committee;
- (b) how often do they meet;
- (c) when was the last meeting held;
- (d) when is the next meeting scheduled;
- (e) are there any specified guidelines or timeline given to the committee; and
- (f) has the committee been instructed on when the plan should be in place?

3385. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health

- (1) How many doctors (total individual headcount, discounting duplicated employment of individual doctors at different sites and excluding agency doctors, registered dental doctors and dental clinic assistants) were there in the Western Australian public health system as at 30 April 2008?
- (2) How many doctors (total FTE and excluding agency doctors) were there in the Western Australian public health system at 30 April 2008?
- (3) How many doctors' positions are required, but remain unfilled, in the Western Australian public health system as at 30 April 2008?
- (4) How many doctors have resigned, retired or were terminated from the Western Australian public health system for each month from January 2008 to April 2008 inclusive?
- (5) How many doctors were recruited into the Western Australian public health system in January, February, March and April 2008 and what percentage has been filled by new graduates or overseas-trained doctors?
- (6) What is the ratio of doctors to population in Western Australian public hospitals as at 30 April 2008 and how does this compare to other Australian states and territories for the same date?
- (7) How many accrued annual leave hours for doctors employed in the Western Australian public health system exist as at 30 April 2008?

3386. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health

For each department or agency in the Health portfolio, can the Minister provide the following information as at 1 May 2008:

- (a) how many staff were employed in total and at each level;
- (b) how many permanent staff were employed;
- (c) how many non-permanent staff were employed;
- (d) how many substantive positions were filled in an acting capacity; and
- (e) how many substantive positions were filled in an acting capacity for longer than three months?

3387. Dr K.D. Hames to the Minister for Health

- (1) How many nurses (total individual headcount, discounting duplicated employment of individual nurses at different sites and excluding agency nurses, registered dental nurses and dental clinic assistants) were there in the Western Australian public health system as at 30 April 2008?
- (2) How many nurses (total FTE and excluding agency nurses, registered dental nurses and dental clinic assistants) were there in the Western Australian public health system as at 30 April 2008?
- (3) How many nursing positions are required, but remain unfilled, in the Western Australian public health system as at 30 April 2008?
- (4) How many nurses have resigned, retired or were terminated from the Western Australian public health system for each month from January 2008 to April 2008 inclusive?
- (5) How many nurses were recruited into the Western Australian public health system in January, February, March and April 2008 and what percentage has been filled by new graduates or overseas-trained nurses?

- (6) What is the ratio of nurses to population in Western Australian public hospitals as at 30 April 2008 and how does this compare to other Australian states and territories for the same date?
- (7) How many accrued annual leave hours for nurses employed in the Western Australian public health system exist as at 30 April 2008?

3388. Dr G.G. Jacobs to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to Budget Paper 2008-2009 Number 2, Volume 2, page 754, Service 3, Regional School Bus Services, and I ask:

- (a) of the \$98,850,000 estimated total service cost for 2008-2009 how much of these monies will be devoted to providing air-conditioning in school busses;
- (b) can you identify the number of school busses with funded air-conditioning units in Western Australia; and
- (c) can you identify the number of busses air-conditioned within each air cooling zone?

3389. Dr G.G. Jacobs to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to Budget Paper 2008-2009 Number 2, Volume 2, page 755, Dot Point 3, under Major Initiatives and I ask:

- (a) what is the possible intent of a review of the school bus air-conditioning policy?

3390. Mr G. Snook to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I understand that a review of current legislation is being undertaken to seek amendments that would give power to local government to enter Crown land in the same way as freehold land for the extraction of gravel, and I ask:

- (a) what is the current status of this review?
- (b) why, when the State Government is the major land owner in many areas to be serviced by the gravel extraction, is local government required to pay an annual licence fee for the right to extract the gravel and also in some cases pay for Aboriginal monitors to allow for extraction of gravel?
- (c) is this just another example of cost shifting on the part of Government?

3391. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to Lot 220 (Number 10) Coalfields Highway, Roelands, owned by the Richardson family, and I ask:

- (a) is this lot or part of it being resumed for road developments;
- (b) if so, when;
- (c) why has the Department not notified the Richardsons;
- (d) will the Department be doing so; and
- (e) what compensation will the Richardson's be entitled to?

3392. Mr C.J. Barnett to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

In relation to Metropolitan Region Scheme Amendment 1074/33, will the Minister please advise:

- (a) why the findings of the 2004 public comment period have not yet been released;
- (b) when the findings of the 2004 public comment period will be released;

- (c) when the amendment will be approved;
- (d) how much money the State Government received from the sale of 4 hectares at the southern end of the Leighton Marshalling Yards site;
- (e) what the State Government intends to do with the money from the sale of this land; and
- (f) will money from the sale of this land be allocated to the Leighton Oceanside Parklands master plan?

3393. Mr R.C. Kucera to the Minister for Health

In 2003 the State Government endorsed a "Dementia Action Plan" for Western Australia, 2003-2006 prepared by the WA Aged Care Advisory Council. In addition, Western Australia was included in the 2006 National Framework for Action on Dementia 2006-2010, formulated by the Commonwealth Government. Given the expected surge in cases of dementia throughout the community, I ask the following:

- (a) when will the State Government review and report on the outcomes of the 2003-2006 State Dementia Action Plan;
- (b) measured against the State Plan, what has been achieved and what are the current priorities for dealing with dementia;
- (c) when is it intended that the State Government will update the State Dementia Action Plan;
- (d) has an assessment been undertaken of the impact of the National Framework for Action on Dementia 2006-2010; and
- (e) if so can the Minister provide details of that assessment, if not, why not?

3394. Ms K. Hodson-Thomas to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the proposed Stage 3 at the Greenwood Train Station, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister table the plans for Stage 3 of the car parking proposal for the Greenwood Train Station, and if not, why not;
- (b) can the Minister indicate when it is anticipated that the proposal of Stage 3 will commence;
- (c) is the Minister aware that consultation with residents over this proposal broke down as confirmed in correspondence from the Member for Kingsley to residents, and that many residents failed to receive notification of the April 2008 meeting at Kanangra Reserve, Greenwood; and
- (d) how will this lack of consultation be addressed?

3395. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister for Health

- (1) Please provide a list of all regional school dental therapy clinics in this state?
- (2) What is the standard staff allocation for regional school dental therapy clinics?
- (3) How many regional dental therapy clinics have closed in the past;
  - (a) 12 months from 1 May 2007 to 30 April 2008; and
  - (b) 24 months from 1 May 2006 to 30 April 2008?
- (4) Please identify those clinics that have closed within each of the above periods?

- (5) What strategies is the State Government employing to address the staffing crisis confronting the regional school dental therapy clinics?

3396. Mr D.F. Barron-Sullivan to the Minister for Health

I refer to the Western Australian Country Health Service (WACHS) – South West Guideline Management of adult Laparoscopic Gastric Banding patients, and I ask:

- (a) why is laparoscopic gastric banding only available to public hospital patients who are less than 66 years of age; and
- (b) why not make this procedure available in public hospitals for people over 65 years of age providing they are deemed suitable for the procedure by a Surgeon, Anaesthetist, Physician and a WACHS - South West Dietician?

3397. Mr R.C. Kucera to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the 2008 State and Commonwealth Budgets, and funding for road infrastructure. In terms of a Question without Notice that you answered on Wednesday May 16, 2007 in relation to grade separations at the intersections of Mirrabooka Avenue and Reid Highway and Alexander Drive and Reid Highway, I ask:

- (a) is it still the case that the Reid Highway and Alexander Drive intersection is considered by the Department of Main Roads to be the worst intersection for vehicle crashes in Western Australia;
- (b) is it also true that the intersection of Reid Highway and Mirrabooka Avenue is still listed as the 24<sup>th</sup> highest in terms of crashes, but much higher in terms of fatalities;
- (c) if so, given numerous promises made by both the State and Commonwealth Governments since 2005, what funds have been provided in the 2008 State budget for the provision of grade separation at these two intersections; and
- (d) during the recent Federal Election Campaign, the Hon Martin Ferguson, now a Minister in the Rudd Government pledged "No Strings Attached" funding for the Alexander Drive intersection grade separation under the "Auslink 2" funding for dangerous intersections, should Labor be elected. Given that Labor was elected what action have you taken to confirm this commitment, and when will this election promise be honoured?

3398. Mr T.R. Buswell to the Minister representing the Minister for Government Enterprises

For each of the financial years 2005-2006 and 2007-2008 (inclusive):

- (a) what was the dollar value of fees and charges levied by GESB on the accounts of former government employees (i.e. those no longer making a regular contribution); and
- (b) what percentage did the amount in Question 1 represent of GESB's total revenue for each of those financial years?

3399. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Health

With reference to the proposed upgrade and remodelling of the operating theatre and sterilization area at Kalamunda Hospital, I ask:

- (a) when will the construction work commence; and
- (b) when will it be completed?

3400. Mr J.H.D. Day to the Minister for Health

With reference to the new Swan Health Campus (Stage 1), I ask:

- (a) when will construction work commence; and
- (b) when will it be completed?

3401. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

With reference to Question on Notice No. 2958, answered on 26 February 2008, and in relation to the report titled *Estimation of Groundwater Level Distribution Prior to the Commencement of the Fimiston Tailings Disposal Operations by KCGM*, May 2007, I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise what were the estimated historic groundwater levels in metres below the surface on tenement number P26/3126, prior to the construction and operation of the Fimiston 1 tailings dam; and
- (b) if no to (a) why not?

3402. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

With regard to the Kaltails Tailings Dam, Question on Notice No 2959 answered on 26 February 2008, and Bulletin Number 1273 produced by the Environmental Protection Authority Services Unit dated December 2007, I ask:

- (a) can the Minister explain why the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) makes proponents across the State spend large amounts of money to meet design criteria of  $10^{-9}$  metres per second, and as of the year 2005 with the *Mining and Mineral Processing Tailings Facilities Guidelines 2000* continues to recommend that mining containment structures are constructed to limit seepage rates under normal conditions to  $10^{-9}$  metres per second, when the actual permeability may vary after construction due to variation in the site characteristics; and
  - (i) if no to (a), why not;
- (b) can the Minister explain why the DEC bothers to have design criteria of  $10^{-9}$  metres per second for tailings dams and mining containment structures when the actual permeability may vary after construction due to a variation in site characteristics; and
  - (i) if no to (b), why not;
- (c) can the Minister explain the purpose of compliance certificates that certify that tailings dams have been constructed in accordance with works approval and licence conditions, when the actual permeability may vary after construction due to a variation in site characteristics; and
  - (i) if no to (c), why not?

3403. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

With Regard to Bulletin Number 1273 dated December 2007 produced by the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) Services Unit, I ask:

- (a) can the Minister advise what specific advice the EPA Services Unit provided to the EPA to support the statement that large open pit mines are not desirable close to residences and the EPA believes that future planning of similar developments must consider the impacts to local communities and ensure appropriate separation; and
  - (i) if no to (a), why not;

- (b) does the Minister support the statement that large open pit mines are not desirable close to residences and that the future planning of similar developments must consider the impacts to local communities and ensure appropriate separation; and
  - (i) if no to (b), why not; and
  - (ii) if yes to (b), will the Minister explain why; and
- (c) will the Minister advise what specific advice the EPA services unit provided to the EPA which resulted in the EPA recommending that a condition be imposed restricting KCGM from active mining operations within 400 metres of a property zoned residential, without the written consent of that property owner; and
  - (i) if no to (c), why not?

3404. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

With reference to Bulletin Number 1273 dated December 2007 which refers to the Thompson and Brett 2004 report which identified a residual seepage mound from the Oroya Tailings Dam, and a letter dated 24 January 1994 from the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) addressed to Optimum Resources Pty Ltd titled 'Oroya Tailings Dam' and the *Mining and Mineral Processing Tailings Facilities Guidelines 2000*, I ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware that as far back as 24 January 1994 the DEP noted (in the abovementioned letter) that this dam was constructed prior to the Environmental Protection Act being proclaimed, and since that time new and more stringent hazard rating guidelines for tailings dams are being used, and there should be no reason for newly constructed tailings dams to leak; and
  - (i) if no to (a,) why not;
- (b) is the Minister aware that in the letter dated 24 January 1994 the DEP noted that where the DEP is aware of a leaking dam, the first priority is to have the leaking substance contained and the impacts controlled; and
  - (i) if no to (b), why not;
- (c) in the light of (a) and (b), can the Minister explain why the DEP has not been able to ensure the leaking substances from the Oroya, Fimiston 1 and Fimiston 2 tailings dams owned by KCGM are contained, and has not been able to control the 'unnecessary impacts' on the surrounding environment and tenements not owned by KCGM; and
  - (i) if no to (c), why not?

3405. Mr M.J. Birney to the Minister for the Environment

With reference to Question on Notice No. 2957, answered on 26 February 2008, and in relation to the modified penalty notice number 1/08, dated 21 January 2008, I ask:

- (a) did the spillage/discharge of hypersaline water containing cyanide stress and kill vegetation and contaminate the soil on the Optimum Resources tenement;
- (b) if no to (a), why not;
- (c) if yes to (a), did the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) impose a modified penalty for causing material environmental harm under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;
- (d) did the spillage/discharge of hypersaline water containing cyanide stress and kill vegetation and contaminate the soil on land owned or controlled by KCGM;

- (e) if yes to (d), did the DEC impose a modified penalty for causing material environmental harm under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;
- (f) in relation to the modified penalty notice 1/08, was the history of all previous offences by KCGM taken into consideration in seeking to impose a modified penalty;
- (g) if yes to (f), can the Minister explain which specific previous offences and the rationale as to how the modified penalty was determined;
- (h) is it correct that Mr Ian Keally from DEC advised the *Kalgoorlie Miner* newspaper that KCGM should have ensured that the spillage did not occur in the first place;
- (i) if no to (h), what specific advice did Mr Keally provide in relation to the spillage;
- (j) does the fact that the spillage escaped all of its containment ponds mean that it was not well managed;
- (k) can the Minister explain the reasons as to how the spillage referred to in modified penalty notice 1/08 cannot be regarded as being well managed by KCGM;
- (l) if no to (k), why not;
- (m) in relation to the issuing of the modified penalty 1/08, can the Minister explain what is the relevance of the section of that notice which states that Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines Pty Ltd is also committed to remedying any adverse environmental impacts;
- (n) if no to (m) why not;
- (o) was the investigation into the spillage completed when the answers for Question on Notice No. 2957 were provided on 26 February 2008; and
- (p) if no to (o), why not?

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**PETER J. McHUGH**  
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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