

REGIONAL RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTRE, CANNING VALE

2864. Mr A.J. Simpson to the Minister for the Environment

In regard to the Regional Resource Recovery Centre in Canning Vale, is the Minister aware of ongoing community concern about the facility's operations and its effects on the health of nearby residents, and if so:

- (a) is the Minister planning on taking any action relating to this issue; and
 - (i) if not, why not; and
- (b) if the Minister is not aware of ongoing community concerns, is the Minister willing to investigate the matter further to ensure that the community's anxiety over the Centre's operations is allayed?

Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN replied:

- (a)-(b) The Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) is continuing to monitor the Regional Resource Recovery Centre in Canning Vale and has requested the Southern Metropolitan Regional Council (SMRC) to improve the facility to reduce odours. DEC officers are continuing to respond to odour complaints from the community by attending the facility and surrounding suburbs and monitoring odour levels.

The Department of Health has directed the SMRC to complete a Health Risk Assessment for the facility. The results will be made available to DEC and will help determine future action.