

PHASE-OUT OF USE OF HIGHLY WATER-SOLUBLE PHOSPHOROUS FERTILISERS

2704. Dr S.C. Thomas to the Minister for the Environment

- (1) Has the Minister received the results from the stakeholder symposiums held on the phase-out of highly soluble phosphate fertilisers from environmentally sensitive areas; and
 - (a) if not, when does the Minister expect to receive them; and
 - (b) if so, will a copy of the results be released to the Member for Capel?

Mr D.A. TEMPLEMAN replied:

- (1) No.
 - (a) The Department of Environment and Conservation is in the process of reviewing stakeholder input on the Fertiliser Action Plan and will report back to me with these results in October 2007. I will then consider the actions required to phase out highly water soluble phosphorus fertilisers by 2011.
 - (b) Not applicable.