

PUBLIC TRANSPORT — VOLVO CONTRACT — NEW BUSES

1736. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

- (1) How many new buses are expected to be delivered in each year of the Volvo bus contract?
- (2) How many of these buses are for:
 - (a) the Perth public transport area;
 - (b) regional town bus services; and
 - (c) other, please specify?
- (3) How many of these are additional buses and how many are replacement of existing buses?
- (4) How many buses are expected to be retired in each year of the Volvo contract?
- (5) How many new depots will be required over the life of the Volvo contract and in which year will they be required?
- (6) How many existing depots will need to be expanded over the life of the Volvo contract and in which year will they be required?
- (7) What is the estimated cost of the:
 - (a) new depots; and
 - (b) depot expansions?
- (8) What funding is currently allocated in the budget, or the forward estimates, for new depots or depot expansions?
- (9) What funding is currently allocated in the budget, and in each year of the forward estimates, for new buses:
 - (a) to replace existing buses; and
 - (b) to provide additional capacity?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (1) An average of approximately 103 buses will be delivered each year for the remaining years of the Volvo contract
- (2)
 - (a) 473
 - (b) 43
 - (c) Nil
- (3) The current allocation is 117 additional, 244 replacement with the remaining yet to be determined.
- (4) See question (3).
- (5) One new depot is required in 2014–2015.
- (6) Nil
- (7)
 - (a) \$4 million for construction and commissioning costs.
 - (b) Nil
- (8) \$6 million for construction, commissioning and operating costs.
- (9)
 - (a) Funding allocated in the budget to replace existing buses for the current year and over the forward estimates is \$247.95M
 - (b) Funding allocated in the budget to provide additional bus capacity \$67.19 with the final 2 years yet to be determined