

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, WEB SITES, ADMINISTRATION AND HOSTING COSTS

292. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Government Enterprises; Minister Assisting the Minister for Public Sector Management.

For each website owned, operated or administered by each Department and Agency under the control of the Minister -

- (d) are there any plans to undertake a major upgrade of any of these websites during the 2005-2006 financial year; and
- (e) if so –
 - (i) what is the reason for this upgrade; and
 - (ii) what is the cost of the upgrade?

Mr E.S. RIPPER replied:

Department of Treasury and Finance

- (a) No.
- (b) Not applicable.

Economic Regulation Authority

- (a) Yes.
- (b) (i) The Authority was formed on 1 January 2004 amalgamating the economic regulatory functions of three former regulatory regimes. The existing website reflects the identity of the previous regimes and it is necessary for the Authority to redevelop its website to reflect the identity of the new agency.
- (ii) Yet to be tendered.

GESB

- (a) Improvements are planned to be undertaken to GESB's website during the course of the financial year.
- (b) (i) To enhance member access to GESB's services and improve GESB's overall efficiency and effectiveness in communicating with members.
- (ii) The estimated total cost of the initiative is \$65,000.

Gold Corporation

- (a) Yes.
- (b) (i) The current design and functionality is out of date and diminishing in effectiveness. The upgrade is expected to improve substantially the performance and profitability of this channel. The website is not static, but a fully transactional e-commerce enabled sales and marketing channel with a positive profit contribution.
- (ii) The approximate cost will be \$150,000.

Insurance Commission

- (a) Yes.
- (b) (i) To make the Insurance Commission of Western Australia website compliant with State Government website guidelines, more user friendly and utilise e-commerce opportunities.
- (ii) Approximately \$50,000.

Lotterywest

- (a) An upgrade of the Lotterywest corporate website is currently underway, and will be completed within the 2005/2006 financial year.
- (b) (i) This upgrade is to create a common "look and feel" with the Lotterywest Grants and Community Development website.
- (ii) The cost of this upgrade is budgeted at \$30,000.

Office of the Auditor General

- (a) It is anticipated that there will only be minor inhouse modifications.

(b) Not applicable.

State Supply Commission

(a) No.

(b) Not applicable.

WA Treasury Corp

(a) There are no plans to undertake a major upgrade of the Corporation's website during the 2005-2006 financial year.

(b) Not Applicable.