

PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY TENDER NUMBER J03870 - ALINTA PIPELINE MT HENRY  
BRIDGE

1643. Mr P.D. Omodei to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to Public Transport Authority (PTA) tender number JO3870 and ask –

- (1) When was it first decided that a report on the effects on the Alinta pipeline on Mt Henry caused by the Mandurah railway was necessary?
- (2) What was the catalyst for this report?
- (3) When will this report be completed?
- (4) Will this report be tabled in Parliament?
  - (a) If not, why not?
- (5) Has the \$17,468 cost of this report been previously included in the total estimated cost of the Perth-Mandurah railway?
- (6) What is the current total estimated cost of the Perth-Mandurah railway?

Ms A.J.G. MacTIERNAN replied:

- (1) October 2006.
- (2) The need to have an understanding of the electromagnetic effects of alternating current from the railway on the steel gas pipe was the catalyst for the study.
- (3) The report will be completed by the end of December 2006.
- (4) This is a technical report into the electromagnetic effects of the 25,000 volt alternating current used for the railway on the steel gas pipe that is fixed to the Mount Henry bridge. A copy of the report will be tabled if requested when Parliament resumes.
  - (a) Not applicable.
- (5) Yes.
- (6) The estimated cost of the Southern Suburbs Railway is \$1.134 billion.