

FREMANTLE RAILWAY LINE — OVERHEAD WIRE

**359. Hon KEN TRAVERS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to question without notice 308 regarding overhead wires on the Fremantle line.

- (1) Were there any general concerns regarding overhead wiring on the line?
- (2) Had anyone from the overhead teams conducted any visual inspections of the lines relating to any general concerns in the month prior to the incident?
- (3) If yes to (2) —
  - (a) what was the nature of the concern; and
  - (b) what was the nature of the inspection?

**Hon JIM CHOWN replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question.

In relation to the incident on the Fremantle line on 24 March 2014 —

- (1) No. The Public Transport Authority has overhead teams doing maintenance on each line on a continuous basis, and equipment is replaced when required.
- (2) The Public Transport Authority's overhead teams undertake visual inspections on each line on a regular basis.
- (3) Not applicable.