

PERTH AIR QUALITY, STUDY

89. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
Further to question on notice 25 of Tuesday, May 22 2001 -

- (1) Who carried out the study on the association between Perth's air quality, mortality and hospitalisation?
- (2) Which department(s) commissioned the study?
- (3) Who has been conducting the peer review of the study?
- (4) Will the Minister table the reviewer's comments?
- (5) If not, why not?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

- 1) Professor Nick de Klerk, Senior Research Fellow, Department of Public Health of the University of Western Australia undertook the analysis on behalf of the Health Research Working Group.
- 2) The Department of Environmental Protection commissioned the study on behalf of the Health Research Working Group established under the auspices of the Air Quality Co-ordinating Committee.
- 3) The peer review of the report has been undertaken by Professor Mark Goldberg of MacGill University, Canada and Professor Rod Simson of Griffith University, Queensland. Both reviewers are experienced in the time series analysis and indicated further analysis of the data was required.
- 4) The peer review comments will be tabled if requested. It should be noted that they are highly technical in nature and have resulted in re-analysis of the data.
- 5) Not Applicable