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Hon Ken Travers; Hon James Chown

TRAIN STATIONS — PERTH — MOBILE PHONE COVERAGE

- 3360. Hon Ken Travers to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:
- (1) Other than Optus infrastructure external to the tunnel west of Perth Station, what mobile phone coverage is available?
- (2) Since April 2014, has any mobile phone infrastructure been installed in the tunnel west of Perth Station and what mobile phone coverage is available?
- (3) If yes to (2), when was this completed?
- (4) If no to (2), why not?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (1) Telstra and Vodafone share the external infrastructure originally installed by Optus and therefore coverage is provided by these carriers.
- (2) No.
- (3) Not applicable
- (4) Since April 2014, the Public Transport Authority (PTA) has continued discussions with the carriers to provide mobile phone coverage in the Perth to Fremantle tunnel. The PTA has agreed for Vodafone to provide the infrastructure which will be available for multi-carrier use and the detailed design process has progressed. It is anticipated that this infrastructure will be commissioned by mid-2016.