

CHARLEY FOREST BLOCK, LOGGING

767. Dr EDWARDS to the Minister for Forest Products:

- (1) Will the Minister explain why the old-growth karri forest in Charley block, which will remain as State forest under the RFA, is on CALM's indicative logging plans for 2001-2003?
- (2) Will the Minister confirm that CALM will be in breach of clause 9 of Attachment 1 of the RFA if it logs Charley before a new Forest Management Plan is implemented?
- (3) Will the Minister ensure that Charley block is removed from CALM's logging plans for 2001-2003, and if not, why not?

Mr OMODEI replied:

- (1) The old growth karri forest in Charley Block was identified as candidate karri old growth available for harvest on CALM's indicative logging plans for 2001-2003 released in December 1999, by error. The member may wish to note that this is not the case in the indicative logging plans released in August 2000.
- (2)-(3) In line with clause 9 of Attachment 1 of the Regional Forest Agreement, there is no intention to harvest trees from Charley block before a new Forest Management Plan is implemented.