

MARTUWARRA FITZROY RIVER — SEWAGE SPILL

168. Hon NEIL THOMSON to the Minister for Emergency Services:

I refer to the 47 days it took to stem the flow of raw sewage into the Martuwarra Fitzroy River.

- (1) Upon noting the flood damage, was the minister advised which agency was the lead agency responsible for the wastewater overflow?
- (2) When was the minister advised?
- (3) Which of the three agencies—the Department of Health, the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation or the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions—was designated as the lead agency?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I provide the following answer on behalf of the Minister for Emergency Services.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The minister was aware prior to ex-tropical cyclone Ellie.
- (3) The Water Corporation is the responsible agency for wastewater services in Fitzroy Crossing.