

WASTE CONTROL SITE, BELLEVUE

213. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- (1) Was material from the Waste Control site in Bellevue taken to the Brookdale Liquid Waste Treatment Plant?
 - (2) Did the Brookdale Liquid Waste Treatment Plant have the appropriate licences to handle and treat this waste?
 - (3) To what other sites has material from Waste Control been sent and did these sites have the appropriate licences to handle and treat this waste?
 - (4) What plans are there to handle and treat future solvent wastes?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

- (1) Yes
- (2) Not all the wastes taken to Brookdale were treated there, therefore, some licences were not required.
Contaminated fire water was treated at Brookdale in accordance with an EPA approved exemption to the ministerial directive for the site.
A variety of other material was taken from the Waste Control site to Brookdale temporary storage as part of the emergency cleanup. This included soil contaminated with fire water; burnt structures, processing equipment, trees and, fencing material; other unburnt structures and equipment; and unburnt drums of wastes. These materials have been removed.
- (3) Within Western Australia, some contaminated soil was taken to South Cardup Landfill, some wastes were taken to Red Hill Landfill, and solvents were taken to Environmental Recovery Services. All of these facilities are licensed to accept the wastes that were taken to them.
All other wastes were sent for destruction to appropriately licensed facilities interstate.
- (4) The plan to retreat future solvent wastes include Environmental Recovery Services, Western Resource Recovery and the Tox Free facility being established in Kwinana.
It is also proposed to the Minister to allow solvent wastes to be treated at the Brookdale Liquid Waste Treatment Facility subject to approval following completion of the Consultative Environmental Review (CER) process currently under way.