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Hon Ken Travers; Hon James Chown

ELECTRIC VEHICLE FLEET TRIAL

- 862. Hon Ken Travers to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Transport:
- (1) Has the electric vehicle fleet trial announced in March 2010 been completed?
- (2) If yes to (1), what was the outcome of the trial?
- (3) Were any analysis or reports done on the trial?
- (4) If yes to (3), will the Minister table a copy of the reports or findings?
- (5) What actions has the Government undertaken as a result of the trial?
- (6) How many electric vehicles were involved in the trial?
- (7) Which Departments, Government agencies or other organisations had vehicles in the trial and how many did they have?
- (8) Is the Department of Transport aware of how many electric vehicles are currently in the vehicle fleets of Government agencies?
- (9) If yes to (8), how many and in which agencies?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (1) Yes.
- (2) The trial provided early information regarding driving patterns, infrastructure requirements and public familiarisation of electric vehicles. It also provided information on possible wider adoption of Electric Vehicles in the future, particularly in corporate fleets.
- (3) Yes.
- (4) The reports on the Western Australian Electric Vehicle Trial were prepared by the University of Western Australia and a digital copy of the report is available at: http://therevproject.com/trialreport.pdf
- (5) The trial triggered a review of distribution and retail electricity licencing regulations, resulting in an exemption from these requirements for operators of electric vehicle charging stations.
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- (7) City of Mandurah, City of Perth, City of Swan, Department of Environment and Conservation, Department of Transport, LandCorp, Main Roads WA, Telstra, the RAC, The West Australian newspaper and Water Corporation. Each organisation had one vehicle.
- (8) The Department of Transport is aware of 9 electric vehicles in state and local government fleets.
- (9) City of Mandurah (1), City of Swan (1), City of Vincent (1), Main Roads WA (4), Department of Environment and Conservation (1), and Water Corporation (1).