

GRAIN PERMITS, MIDDLE EAST

652. Hon MURRAY CRIDDLE to the Minister for Agriculture and Forestry:

Given that the Grain Licensing Authority has granted further permits to sell 120 000 tonnes of feed barley to the Middle East, I ask -

- (1) Permits for what tonnages of lupins, canola, and barley have been granted for the 2005-06 harvest?
- (2) Are these permits into markets currently regarded as core markets for the Grain Pool Pty Ltd?
- (3) What percentage of permits granted in 2004-05 were delivered?
- (4) Will the minister table the regulations and ministerial guidelines used by the GLA in deciding on these permits?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

I thank Hon Murray Criddle for some notice of the question.

- (1) Lupins, nil; canola, 88 000 tonnes; feed barley, 575 000 tonnes; malting barley, 145 000 tonnes
- (2) Licences have been issued where buyers are not established customers of the Grain Pool Pty Ltd; that is, special licence exporters are not to sell to established GPPL customers.
- (3) Lupins, nil; canola, 33 per cent; feed barley, 41 per cent; no malting barley licences were issued in 2004-05.
- (4) I table a copy of the regulations and ministerial guidelines used by the GLA in deciding on the permits.

[See paper 741.]