PORTS, ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLANS

535. Hon GIZ WATSON to the Minister for Transport:

With regard to Western Australian ports regulated under the Port Authorities Act 1999 -

- (1) In the recent annual reports for these ports, how many reported on their environmental management plan?
- (2) Are the port authorities required to report on their environmental performance in their annual report?
- (3) If yes to (2), will the minister table these environmental management plans?

Hon M.J. CRIDDLE replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) There is no requirement under the Port Authorities Act for a port authority to report in the annual report on its environmental management plan.
- (2) There is a requirement under the Port Authorities Act for a port authority to provide in the annual report a summary of the performance of the port authority on its function "to protect the environment of the port and minimise the impact of port activities on that environment" - see sections 69(1)(f) and 30(1)(f).
- (3) I have answered this question before in Parliament in response to a question from Hon Giz Watson.