

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Maley to the Minister for Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics:

Darwin Passenger Railway Terminal

The Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics recently released a request for quotation for a consultancy to undertake a relocation feasibility study and concept design for the Darwin Passenger Railway Terminal.

Questions:

- 1. Why has this consultancy been limited to relocating the terminal from East Arm to your chosen sites in either Archer or Tivendale?**

Tivendale and Archer sites are locations where the rail line is configured appropriately for a rail terminal (straight) and the sites are suitable for further development.

The project scope will also be open to consider other locations on merit.

- 2. Why didn't you consider other alternative sites including the possibility of a city terminal?**

Refer response to Question 1.

- 3. What is the main purpose of relocating away from the current East Arm site given only one or two passenger trains visit each week?**

The existing passenger terminal currently utilises land that could otherwise be used for strategic industrial uses. DIPL is investigating a more appropriate location for the terminal in the medium to long term.

- 4. Does part of the deal with the US Government to build a bulk fuel storage facility include the cost of relocating the Darwin Passenger Railway Terminal?**

The fuel storage facility does not utilise the current passenger Railway Terminal site.