



LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

No. 66

WRITTEN QUESTION

K McNamara to the Minister for Mining and Energy, Hon Gerard Maley MLA:

Potential prosecution under the Petroleum Act of Imperial Energy for fracking and/or related activities on Exploration Permit 187

Lock the Gate Alliance sought to obtain a document under Freedom of Information which it believed that a brief was provided to then Minister for Environment, Water, Renewables and Energy, Kate Worden, on the 29 July 2024 in relation to a potential prosecution under the Petroleum Act of Imperial Energy for fracking and/or related activities on Exploration Permit 187.

1. What was the nature of the incident that was the subject of the brief to then Minister Worden dated 29 July 2024?
2. Why has information about this incident not been disclosed to the public?
3. Why has the information about this incident not been disclosed to Traditional Owners of the land on which this breach occurred, who are currently being asked to agree to the sale of exploration gas from Imperial for Exploration Permit 187?
4. What steps have you taken since becoming Minister to act on the information that was provided in the draft brief?
5. Has your department taken any action on this matter since the 2024 election?
6. What is the current status of the matter?