

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Vowles to the Minister for Essential Services:

Power and Water

1. By location, how many electricity outages were there in 2013/14 in excess of one hour?
2. For each outage in excess of one hour:
 - a) How long was the outage?
 - b) What was the cause of the outage?
 - c) What was the cost of remedial works and labour to restore supply?
3. Please provide schedules of planned maintenance for generation, networks and IES electricity assets in 2013/14 and 2014/15?
4. By location, how many interruptions to water supply were there in 2013/14?
5. For each outage in excess of one hour:
 - a) How long was the outage?
 - b) What was the cause of the outage?
 - c) What was the cost of remedial works and labour to restore supply?
6. Would you provide schedules of planned repairs and maintenance for water and sewerage assets in 2013/14 and 2014/15?
7. By category, what is the estimated value of:
 - a) Electricity assets?
 - b) Water assets?
 - c) Sewerage assets?
8. Please provide a list of capital works planned for Networks, Water and Sewerage for 2014-15.
9. Following on from the report by the Utilities Commissioner on the March 2014 outage, what work is underway to meet the recommendations?
10. What work is underway to improve training and processes at System Control?
11. List of current employment figures broken down by location, business unit and designation.

12. What are the mandated or prescribed Australian water quality standards for domestic water supply?
 13. By location, what was the frequency of water quality testing for domestic supplies in 2013/14?
 14. By location, would you provide details of all testing results and indicate results which do not comply with mandated or prescribed Australian standards for domestic water consumption?
 15. In all cases in which domestic water quality did not comply with the relevant Australian standards, what action was taken or planned to remediate the quality of the water?
 16. By funding source, in 2013/14 what was the total estimated expenditure on Indigenous Essential Services for:
 - a) Electricity supply?
 - b) Water supply?
 - c) Sewerage Services?
 17. What is the break- up of above expenditure details by location?
 18. By funding source, in 2014/15 what is the budget provision for Indigenous Essential Services for:
 - a) Electricity supply?
 - b) Water Supply?
 - c) Sewerage Services?
 19. What is the break- up of the above budget provision by location?
 20. Globally and by location, for areas covered by Indigenous Essential Services programs, what is the:
 - a) Estimated increase in population for 2014/15, 2015/16, and 2016/17?
 - b) Estimated increase in economic activity for 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17?
 - c) Estimated shortfall in budget allocations or forward estimates to cover the growth factors in demand mentioned above?
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