

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Elferink to Minister for Essential Services;

Reticulated Water – Testing Regime

Coliforms are used in operational monitoring of water distribution systems to indicate inadequate treatment, breakdowns in system integrity or the presence of biofilms:

1. What are the current guideline levels used by PowerWater to indicate coliform contamination.
 2. On how many occasions during 2008, 2009 and 2010 did monitoring of the reticulated water system in Darwin and Palmerston indicate levels of coliforms above the guideline level.
 3. What were the locations of those above guideline results.
 4. What steps were taken to identify and address the above guideline results.
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