LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Tollner to Minister for Parks and Wildlife

Windows on the Wetlands, Visitation and Maintenance

For the Windows on the Wetlands visitor experience:

- (a) What was the attendance, by month, in 2007, 2008 and 2009;
- (b) how much did the NT government contribute to the operation of the activity in 2009;
- (c) how much was spent on capital investment in 2009;
- (d) how much was spent on park maintenance in 2009;
- (e) what was the total visitor revenue for the experience in 2009;
- (f) what proportion of revenue can be attributed to expenditure by interstate/international or local visitors;
- (g) how many staff are employed at the Windows on the Wetlands:
- (h) what are the position levels for these staff; and
- (i) how much was expended in 2009 on work done by contractors at the Windows on the Wetlands.

ANSWER:

(a) What was the attendance, by month, in 2007, 2008 and 2009.

FY	JULY	AUGUST	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	TOTAL
2006-2007	14340	10503	7230	6223	3713	3068	4435	3369	3552	5598	7505	10137	79673
2007-2008	14058	10935	7656	6588	4600	3856	4203	3557	5566	5693	7369	9252	83333
2008-2009	11764	8432	6501	6765	4044	3461	4398	3066	4841	5785	6202	7954	73213
2009-2010	11701	8843	6487	6072	4153	3461	3066	4841	6090	7336			62050

(b) How much did the NT government contribute to the operation of the activity in 2009?

2009-10 expenditure is expected to be: Operations \$135 000 Salaries \$214 000 \$349 000

(c) How much was spent on capital investment in 2009.

Minor New Works \$20 000.

(d) How much was spent on park maintenance in 2009.

Approximately \$45 000 on repairs and maintenance program and \$20 000 on grounds maintenance.

(e) What was the total visitor revenue for 2009.

Revenue generated by visitors in 2009-10 is expected to be \$95 000 for special functions and tours, however the facility is generally free entry.

(f) What proportion of revenue can be attributed to expenditure by interstate / international or local visitors.

This information is not available.

(g) How many staff are employed at Window on the Wetlands.

There are two permanent positions and usually three casual guides.

(h) What are the position levels for these staff.

The Supervisor is Technical 2 with all other staff at the Technical 1 level.

(i) How much was expended in 2009 on work done by contractors at the Window on the Wetlands.

Approximately \$42 000.