

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mr Wood, Member for Nelson, to Minister for Mines and Energy

SHERWIN IRON – REHABILITATION FUND

Minister, could you please say whether there was money paid by Sherwin Iron into the Rehabilitation Fund? Has there been any rehabilitation of their mine since it closed down?

ANSWER

The Department of Mines and Energy (DME) holds a remediation security for the Sherwin Iron operation which includes monies held in respect of the operation's 2013-14 and 2014-15 contributions to the Mining Remediation Fund. These monies are in the process of being transferred to the Fund.

The operation is currently in a Care and Maintenance phase and the site continues to be inspected and monitored by DME officers. Full scale remediation is not required at the present time whilst efforts are underway to sell the project.

Remedial works took place at the site in 2014 and 2015 by the managers of the site at the direction of DME.