

**LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY**

**WRITTEN QUESTION**

Mr Higgins to the Minister for Renewables, Energy and Essential Services:

**Southport Water Supply**

1. Would you please advise the potential cost of running reticulated water out to the Southport township?

**ANSWER:**

Note the cost estimates provided in this response are based solely on a desktop analysis by Power and Water Corporation and should be considered as indicative only.

Extending the current mains water infrastructure 20 kilometres to the Southport township with the necessary pressure to a single storage tank location would cost in the order of \$20 million.

To provide retrofitted, reticulated water piping along the streets of the Southport township would cost a further \$30 million.

Then for each individual household to connect their own private supply line from the reticulated infrastructure to their property, would cost each individual property owner a further \$10,000 each.

This equates to an average estimated cost of \$500,000 for each of the 102 properties in Southport township (source: 2016 Census).