

## Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory

## GOVERNMENT OWNED CORPORATIONS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

## REPORT

## THURSDAY 21 JUNE 2012

The Government Owned Corporation Scrutiny Committee examined the activity, performance, practices and financial management of the Power and Water Corporation with reference to its Statement of Corporate Intent for 2012/2013.

The Committee notes the information provided by the Chairman of the Board of the Power and Water Corporation, the Managing Director and other Officers who provided advice throughout the Public Hearing.

The Committee notes the following items were covered in the hearing:

- Alternate power suppliers
- Asset refurbishment
- Debt to equity
- Dividend holidays
- Debt management
- System Average Interruption Duration
- System Average Interruption Frequency
- Call centre response times
- Lost time injuries
- Staff satisfaction surveys
- Return on assets
- Power generation capacity
- Power consumption
- Water supply and demand
- Exploration licence applications
- Water quality
- Rooftop power distribution systems
- Implications of carbon tax
- Undergrounding of power

- Renewable energy systems
- Katherine, Tennant Creek & Alice Springs power stations
- Power line insulator protectors
- Larrakeyah outfall station
- Sewerage upgrades
- Water treatment plants
- Capital expenditure
- Compliance costs
- Utilities commission
- Upgrades to power networks
- Impact of Inpex
- Upgrade of Howard Springs water pipe to the prison
- Chlorination facility Girraween road
- Water and sewerage charges in Aboriginal communities
- Lease payments re assets on Aboriginal land
- Funding of Indigenous Essential Services Officers
- Apprenticeships
- Gas versus diesel emissions
- Types of solar technology

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