

Estimates Committee 2010
Questions Taken On Notice

(11/06/2010 to 18/06/2010)

Date: 17/06/2010 Output:
Sub Output:
Subject: Effluent discharge in Darwin Harbour?

From: Mr Peter Chandler to Mr Karl Hampton
Natural Resources Environment and Heritage

Question: **8-11**
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Answer:
Answered On: 12/07/2010
Answer: Number: 8.11

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Answer:

The Darwin Correctional Centre's last Waste Discharge Licence (WDL) expired 2003. It was determined at that time that a WDL was not required as the Darwin Correction Centre had installed an effluent irrigation system and ceased discharging to Hudson Creek.

NRETAS is currently in consultation with the Darwin Correctional Service regarding waste water effluent discharges into the harbour and their requirements for a Waste Discharge Licence. Seasonal Waste Discharge Licences may be considered consistent with general NRETAS licensing practices.