

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE

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To: Hon Gerard Maley

Portfolio: Mining and Energy

Agency: Mining and Energy

Subject: Nature of incident at EP187

QUESTION:

What was the nature of the third incident that occurred at EP187 that was not provided to the public?

ANSWER:

The Member for Nightcliff referenced an NT Independent online article leading up to this question on notice.

The NT Independent article referenced a Ministerial Brief from the Environment Department to the Minister for Environment in 2024. The Department of Mining and Energy (DME) is not privy to this briefing document.

The DME advises, through its regulatory responsibilities under the *Petroleum Act 1984*, there was no incident that occurred during the drilling of any well on EP187.