

## Parliamentary Question

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### Question & Answer:

With regard to industrial development on the Burrup, I ask -

- (1) How many industries have had contact with the Government or has the Government had any discussion with anyone about the establishment of a proposal or proposals on Dampier Island and the adjacent islands?
- (2) What are the names of those industries and the date of their initial contact or expression of interest?
- (3) In relation to these industries, who initiated the idea that they be established on Dampier Island and the adjacent islands?
- (4) Are there currently any industries in contact with the Government seeking to establish operations that may be placed on Dampier Island and the adjacent islands?
- (5) In relation to (4), what leases of land and in what locations on Dampier Island and the adjacent islands are being considered and with which party?

There is no geographical feature in Western Australia that is officially recognised as Dampier Island, though the name has previously been attached to what is now called the Burrup Peninsula.

Since the question relates to *industrial development on the Burrup*, it is assumed that references to *Dampier Island* mean *the Burrup Peninsula*.

1 Following Cabinet endorsement in September 1996 of the Burrup Peninsula Land Use Plan and Management Strategy (which designated areas of land for existing and future industry, and other areas of land for conservation, heritage and recreation), a number of proponents have approached the Government to discuss the possibility of establishing industries on the Burrup Peninsula. (It should be noted that the Burrup Peninsula Land Use Plan and Management Strategy was further endorsed by other planning processes involving extensive consultation, including the Karratha Area Development Strategy 1998 and the Shire of Roebourne Town Planning Scheme No.8.)

2 The names of companies and dates of initial contact are:

1997 Parkside/PMRC

Sasol SMX

Dow/Shell consortium (and 41 respondents to EoI)

1998 Gorgon Australia LNG

1999 Syntroleum

2000 Oswal Chemicals and Fertilisers Limited

Plenty River Corporation

2001 GTL Resources

Methanex Australia Pty Ltd

2002 DME International

Wesfarmers CSBP

2003 Japan DME

2004 Agrium Australia Pty Ltd

Deepak Fertilisers & Petrochemicals Corporation Ltd

2005 Dampier Nitrogen/Dyno Nobel

2006 Woodside Energy Limited

3 In response to a registration of interest process initiated by the State Government in 1997, the Dow/Shell consortium (one of 41 respondents) was granted the right to develop a major petrochemical project, for which locations on the Burrup Peninsula and on West Intercourse Island were considered.

In all other cases (listed in (2) above), the company initiated the idea of establishing industry on the Burrup Peninsula.

4 Yes.

5 Dyno Nobel is considering establishing an industry on Site C on the Burrup Peninsula. One other company, whose name is currently confidential, is assessing the suitability of a number of industrial sites on the Burrup Peninsula for its proposed industry.