

Thursday, April 03, 2008

Parliamentary Statement by Hon J.R. Ford

Mr President

I would like to inform the house that Legislative Council Parliamentary Question on Notice number 5961 from Hon Giz Watson asked on 27 February 2008 with regards to an accident involving the release of ammonia at Burrup Fertilisers on 6 February 2008 and was answered yesterday 2 April 2008.

I would like to make the following amendments to my response to (part 6 & 7) only. The answer should have been to (part 6 & 7) as follows:

- (6) Corrective actions arising from investigation into this incident will be implemented by BFPL in a timely manner and overseen by RSD. The internal investigation report being prepared by the company has not yet been submitted to the Department. Further corrective actions may be required after the report has been assessed by RSD.
- (7) BFPL initially advised that the incident was a low pressure release of an estimated 35 to 40 Kg of ammonia vapour to atmosphere at a height of approximately 30 metres. However, by email dated 2 April 2008 the company's General Manager, Operations advised that their subsequent investigation revealed that approximately 806 Kg was released,