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## QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday, 22 April 2014

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Mental Health representing the Minister for Environment.

With regard to the Minister's answer on 1st April 2014 to Question on Notice 858 regarding the Rey Resources Duchess Paradise Coal Project Public Environmental Review (PER), I ask:

- (1) Could the Minister please point out the section of the PER in which there is a specific reference to the quantity and nature of the diesel emissions from the 100 or so road trains travelling through Derby every 24 hours? If not, why not? How will these diesel emissions be controlled and monitored and by whom?
- (2) Has the Minister discussed the proposal with the Minister for Health for his Department's input?
- (3) If yes to (3), what was his response?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?

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**I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.**

The Minister for Environment has provided the following response.

- (1) Under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, the Environmental Protection Authority is responsible for setting the form, content and timing for the assessment and is to report to me on the key environmental factors and whether the proposal should be implemented, and if so, recommend conditions.

It is not appropriate for me to comment while the EPA is undertaking its assessment.

- (2)-(4) It is not appropriate for me to discuss this matter with the Minister for Health while the EPA is still conducting its assessment.

