

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question on notice

Tuesday, 17 February 2015

2590. Hon Robin Chappie to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport.

I refer to the Redlion Bus and Coach Company in Esperance, and ask:

- (a) how many chemicals are listed on the Material Safety Data Sheets Register for this company;
- (b) have the Hazchem Risk Assessments been performed for all of these chemicals;
- (c) if yes to (b), when was this task completed, and how did the Department of Transport (DOT) verify that the company was in compliance;
- (d) if no to (b), how many chemicals have not been assessed;
- (e) if no to (b), does this constitute a breach of the occupational health and safety requirements of the company under its contractual agreements with the DOT;
- (f) if yes to (e), what is the penalty applicable to the company for these breaches;
- (g) if yes to (e), who in the company is responsible and/or accountable for these breaches;
- (h) does the Minister support the DOT allowing a non-compliance of this nature from this company;
- (i) if yes to (h), why; and
- (j) if no to (h), why not, and what will the Minister and the DOT do to rectify this problem?

Insofar as the Public Transport Authority (PTA) is concerned, the PTA has a contract with Redlion Bus and Coach to operate intra-town school bus services. This question has been answered in that context.

- (a) The Public Transport Authority (PTA) does not keep copies of contractor registers nor prescribe which chemicals may or may not be used.
- (b) No. A Non Conformance Report remains open from the audit on 12 March 2013.
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) Redlion Bus and Coach reports that the quantity of different chemicals has progressively been reduced. This will be verified at the next OSH Audit.
- (e) Yes.
- (f) No specific penalty is prescribed under the contract.
- (g) The Workshop Manager reporting to the General Manager.
- (h) No.
- (i) Not applicable



(j) All companies contracted to the PTA are required to meet all OSH obligations.

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