

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question on notice**

**Tuesday, 17 February 2015**

2591. Hon Robin Chappie to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport.

I refer to the Redlion Bus and Coach Company in Esperance and the photograph "Leaking Fuel Facility", which can be found at robinchapple.com/qdata, taken on 7 October 2014, depicting fuel that has leaked and is pooling underneath the pump of the bowser, and ask:

(a) how long has the fuel been leaking and pooling under the pump of this bowser on the fuel facility of this company;

(b) on what date was this problem rectified, and how was it verified by the Department of Transport (DOT) that the problem had been resolved;

(c) on what date was this facility commissioned at the premises of this company;

(d) on what date did the DOT approve the commissioning of this facility;

(e) how did the DOT verify that the company had met the requirements of the DOT to commission this facility;

(f) was this facility inspected by the DOT before it was approved and, if so, who inspected it;

(g) on what date was there a group training of the employees of this company in the correct use of the facility and in emergency response procedures relating to this facility;

(h) who conducted this training and will the Minister table the evidence to verify that it took place;

(i) if no to (h), why not;

(j) will the Minister table a copy of the emergency response procedures which apply to this facility in this company;

(k) if no to (j), why not;

(l) is it correct that during a meeting commencing at 9.00am on 12 August 2014, an employee of the company, who had been using the facility for some weeks, stated the need for training in emergency response;

(m) if no to (l), what is correct concerning this matter; and

(n) if yes to (l), what was the response of the Occupational Health and Safety Manager in relation to this concern, and what action has been taken regarding this matter?

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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-c) Unknown. This is not a facility owned by the Public Transport Authority (PTA). The contractor has stated that it is a second hand banded tank with residual fuel staining from the previous installation. At the PTA's OSH Audit performed on 7 May 2014 it was noted that the fuelling facility was not yet commissioned for use.

(d-f) The PTA does not commission contractor fuel tanks or facilities.

(g-k) Unknown. It is not a function of the PTA to schedule contractor training. As the facility was not commissioned at the time of the last Audit on 7 May 2014, training records and emergency response procedures were not examined.

(l-n) This is an internal matter for the contractor.

