

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question on notice

Tuesday, 11 August 2015

3287. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum.

I refer to the Exploration Incentive Scheme, Government Co-funded Industry Drilling, Round 11, 2015-16, and I ask:

(a) will the Minister detail how much funding was provided to the following companies in the Kimberley:

- (i) Cazaly Resources Ltd;
- (ii) Buxton Resources Ltd;
- (iii) MDR Thomson Pty Ltd; and
- (iv) Northern Minerals Ltd;

(b) if no to (a), why not;

(c) will the Minister detail what projects the funds would be applied to;

(d) will the Minister table the applications of the above companies; and

(e) if no to (d), why not?

Answer

The Department of Mines and Petroleum advises:

(a) The following offer amounts are the maximum refunds which can be made to the companies on completion of drilling and submission of all reports to DMP

- (i) \$134,000
- (ii) \$150,000
- (iii) \$50,000
- (iv) \$60,000

(b) Not applicable

(c)

- (i) Mt Angelo North Conductor 1
- (ii) Double Magic
- (iii) Ellendale Southeast
- (iv) Browns Range- Dazzler and Iceman Prospects

(d) No

- (e) The Agreement covering offers of co-funding between DMP and the applicant contains a confidentiality clause to protect intellectual property contained in the applications. This prevents public release of the applications. Details of results of completed drilling programs contained in the final reports submitted by applicants after completion of their drilling are publically released after a short confidentiality period.

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