LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL **Question Without Notice**

Thursday, 11 May 2017

C003. Hon Robin Chappie to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to comments made by Premier Mark McGowan in *The West Australian* on 7 March, prior to the 2017 March state election where he stated in relation to Uranium mining:

"If all necessary approvals are in place for them to operate, they will proceed under a McGowan Labor government."

With reference to proposed uranium operations in Western Australia, I ask:

- 1. Do the Mulga Rocks, Yeelirie, Kintyre and Toro Wiluna uranium projects have "all necessary approvals" to begin mining operations?
- 2. If unknown, when will the information be available and will the Minister table it?
- 3. What was the Government's process for establishing whether these projects have necessary approval?
- 4. What level of consultation was undertaken with communities, traditional owners and stakeholders who opposed these uranium projects under the Barnett government as part of this process?

Answer

1-4. The McGowan Labor government is continuing to work through the details in implementing its uranium policy. In the short time the government has been in office a range of stakeholder groups have provided feedback on this issue, the government has welcomed this feedback.

MINISTER FOR MINES AND PETROLEUM