

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question Without Notice**

**Tuesday, 15 October 2019**

**C1241. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Environment representing the Treasurer**

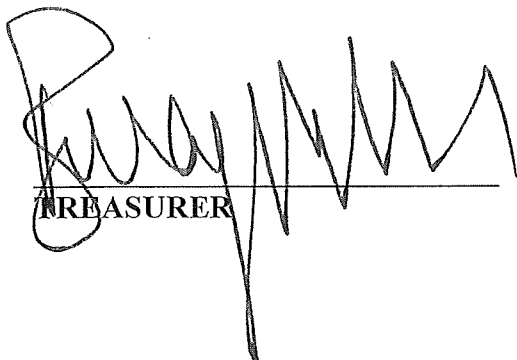
I refer to page 247 of the 2018-19 Annual Report on State Finances and I ask:

1. On what date was a \$33 million ex-gratia payment to Mineral Resources approved?
2. Why was the ex-gratia payment made to Mineral Resources?
3. Who approved the ex-gratia payment to Mineral Resources?

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**Answer**

1. The ex-gratia payment was approved on 20 November 2018 and disclosed in the 2018-19 Mid-year Review.
2. As outlined in the 2018-19 Mid-year Review, the ex-gratia payment to Mineral Resources Limited was made to assist with the purchase of Cliffs Australia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd Koolyanobbing mine in order to ensure continued operations and local jobs.
3. Following consideration by the Expenditure Review Committee and endorsement by Cabinet, the ex-gratia payment was formally approved by the Governor in Executive Council.



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