Question on Notice No. 656 Asked on 9 May 2006

DR FLEGG asked the Minister for Emergency Services (MR PURCELL) -

QUESTION:

- (1) With reference to ambulance response times will he detail response times for Code 1 emergencies in the following areas (a) Runaway Bay, (b) Hope Island/Paradise Point, (c) Biggera Waters/Labrador, (d) Coombabah, (e) Broadwater, (f) Karana Downs, (g) Bribie Island, (h) Caboolture, (i) Beachmere, (j) Mt Ommaney and the Centenary Suburbs including Westlake/Middle Park, Riverhills/Jamboree Heights and Seventeen Mile Rocks/Corinda?
- (2) Will he indicate which ambulance station services each of the listed areas in (1)?

ANSWER:

(1) The Runaway Bay, Hope Island/Paradise Point, Biggera Waters/Labrador, Coombabah and Karana Downs suburbs are located in the South Eastern Region. The year to date response time for the South Eastern Region is 66.35%, as at 29 May 2006.

The Bribie Island, Caboolture, Beachmere, Mt Ommaney and Centenary suburbs are located in the Brisbane Region. The year to date response time for the Brisbane Region is 68.99%, as at 29 May 2006.

The locality name Broadwater is a state electorate, not a suburb with a postcode on the Gold Coast, and therefore, does not appear in geocoded address information in Computer Aided Dispatch systems.

(2) Under Queensland Ambulance Service deployment guidelines, the closest ambulance vehicle, regardless of its station of origin, is dispatched to an emergency demand for service.