Question on Notice No. 207 Asked on 21 February 2007

MR STEVENS asked the Minister for Public Works, Housing and Information and Communication Technology (MR SCHWARTEN)-

QUESTION:

With reference to the Government's plans to force private contractors to guarantee a "no disadvantage test" by providing pre-WorkChoices conditions for employees or be ruled ineligible to tender for State Government projects—

Will the Government be forcing the management of the State's statutory authorities and Government Owned Corporations, particularly Queensland Rail, to guarantee a "no disadvantage test" for their respective employees?

ANSWER:

As this matter falls within the responsibilities of the Department of Employment and Industrial Relations it is suggested that you direct your question to the Honourable John Mickel MP, Minister for State Development, Employment and Industrial Relations.

However, for the record I oppose the WorkChoices dog eat dog philosophy as endorsed by the Member.