

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1855

**asked on Wednesday, 26 November 2008**

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MR CRIPPS ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER AND MINISTER ASSISTING THE PREMIER IN NORTH QUEENSLAND (MR WALLACE)—

QUESTION:

How many water bores were decommissioned in 2007 and 2008 to date (reported separately) for failing to meet the standards and requirements set by his department?

ANSWER:

In 2007 and so far in 2008, my department did not decommission any bores as a result of formal compliance actions taken under the Water Act 2000, to address failures to meet the construction standards and requirements set by my department.

However, following a successful prosecution by my department in November 2008, a court order was made to decommission a bore. The decommissioning of this bore under this court order is still to be completed.