Question on Notice

No. 828

Asked on 19 November 2013

DR DOUGLAS ASKED THE TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR NICHOLLS)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the recent revelations that the government has engaged merchant bankers to review and evaluate government owned corporations, Powerlink and Sunwater for future sale—

When are these respective reports expected to be completed and will the Treasurer commit to tabling these reports in parliament immediately after their completion?

ANSWER:

The appointment of commercial advisors is consistent with the Government's response to the Commission of Audit final report, and shows the Government is committed to receiving independent, expert advice on options that can assist to repair the State's finances and regain the State's AAA credit rating.

The Government's position in relation to the divestment of Government business is unchanged. The Government has made no decision to divest any Government businesses.