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## 124. Hon GIZ WATSON to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for State Development:

I refer to the story that appeared at www.petroleumnews.net on Monday, 10 March 2008 that the Chevron-operated Wheatstone LNG project is planning to build a facility on the north west coast of mainland Australia that will have initial capacity of at least one five million tonne per annum LNG production train with expansion capacity for additional production trains.

- (1) Can the minister advise whether this is correct?
- (2) If no to (1), what information does the minister have on Chevron's proposed operations?
- (3) Where is such a mainland facility to be located with suitable room for expansion?
- (4) Does the minister or his department have a preferred site?

## Hon KATE DOUST replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) West Pilbara coast.
- (4) No.