

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 28th APRIL 2009**

Question

“On how many occasions, if any, over the last 5 years has the Health Protection Team been involved in issues regarding controlled discharges of effluent licensed by the States of Jersey?”

What were their actions and what were their findings?

Would the Minister inform the Assembly what is tested in Jersey and whether he is aware if the United Kingdom undertakes the same tests?”

Answer

Effluent discharges from licensed operations are regulated by the Environment Department Water Resources team and not Health Protection. Health Protection interventions are restricted to impacts on human health although my team do work with other departments on issues where joint working is desirable.

Health Protection is engaged in a number of routine sampling programmes in line with accredited UK sampling protocols. These include sampling and testing food, water and air for a wide range of parameters.