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**RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE****Questions on Notice Paper No 5****Friday, 11 April 2025****Question No. 288****MR PETER CAIN MLA:** To ask the Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water**REDIRECTED TO:** Minister for Finance

1. What information does Icon Water provide developers to enable developers to complete design works including detailed metrics.
2. What level of accuracy is this information provided to.
3. Is this level of accuracy communicated to developers.
4. Does Icon Water compensate the builder if the information provided by Icon Water to a developer to complete design works is incorrect (and outside the communicated bounds of accuracy), and the developer incurs additional costs and/or delays.
5. Can the Minister detail any instances, in the last five years, where the information provided by Icon Water for developer design works was incorrect.

**Rachel Stephen-Smith MLA** - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Icon Water (Icon) advises that it provides information to developers that is relevant to the type and stage of the development submission. Within the timeframe and without further context, Icon was unable provide an exhaustive list of all information types and scenarios that it provides information about.

General information pertaining to application processes, technical requirements, and water and sewerage standards and guidelines is provided on its website:

<https://www.iconwater.com.au/Developers-and-Renovators>



Additional information provided on request as part of Icon's Development Approvals process, which includes Asset Creation and Acceptance ([STD-SPE-G-019 Asset Creation and Acceptance Process](#)), is as follows:

- Geospatial information based on representation of Work As Executed Drawings which has been previously provided to Icon as part of its gifted assets process;
- Water network pressure and flow data upon request; and
- Water and sewer network capacity checks for larger developments (which is based on information provided by the developer).

Information provided by Icon in response to developer submissions is heavily reliant on the accuracy of the information provided by developers. In addition, failure to provide updated information as a result of a design change can make the information provided by Icon invalid.

2. Icon advises that, where relevant, information provided to developers includes a statement that outlines and clarifies the limitations of the information provided.
  - Icon standards provide details of the required level of accuracy for the information provided and can be located on the Icon website (<https://www.iconwater.com.au/Developers-and-Renovators/Water-and-Sewerage-Service-Standards-and-Guidelines/New-Icon-Water-water-supply-and-sewerage-standards#specifications>).
  - Pressure and flow data and capacity checks are provided based on modelled data. Models are calibrated and validated to within one metre of pressure.
3. See response to Question 2 – when providing information, Icon includes a statement that outlines and clarifies the limitations of the information provided.
4. Icon has not identified any instances of providing compensation to a developer in the circumstances described. As noted in the response to Question 2, when providing information to developers, Icon includes a statement that outlines and clarifies the limitations of the information provided.
5. Icon did not identify any such instances.

**Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.**



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**Minister for Finance**

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