TREASURER AGAIN PROMISES A LOT BUT FAILS TO DELIVER

Territory Labor spokesperson on Transport Syd Stirling said today that the Treasurer's trip to the United States last year to talk to potential rail developers had failed to deliver on his rhetoric.

"Last year the Treasurer said that:

'As a result of my trip to Boise, Idaho, and the discussions that I had there, I believe there will be quite an amount of activity in Railnorth in the coming year. An amount of money may be put in the Railnorth exercise and that may even be greater than it was in 1991-92. I do not know how much.'"

In the Budget debate the Minister admitted that only $24,000 had been put into Railnorth last year."

"I wonder if that small amount justifies the Treasurer's travel to Boise Idaho? I wonder if his trip didn't actually cost more than was put into this project?

"The Australia Asia Trade Link is probably the single most significant project there is in terms of the Territory's long term development. What is the Treasurer doing to promote the project."

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