

## **History**

- History of complaints of petroleum in water dating back to 1980s
- Investigations around year 1999 led to discovery of releases from BEC outfalls.
- Many attempts over the years to get access to BEC records with limited success
- Indications that several firms had conducted assessments, but DEHS was not made privy to their reports
- Around 2006 EMRAD Introduced BEC to GES in order to assist BEC – no follow up by BEC
- Complaints continued, including complaints from tankers who complained of their hulls being soiled, Stuart Cove who complained of divers emerging in oil, Adelaide residents who complained of oil on their beaches, and Albany who complained of oil entering their marina.

## **The Problem**

BPL formerly BEC:

- The improper handling and disposal of used oils
- Accidents
- Overall Lapses in standard operating procedures

## **Steps taken by BPL's**

- Use of containment Booms & deployment of cleanup teams periodically

## **Proposed Solution**

- In January 2015 – Meeting held at Ministry of Environment to advise the Oil Companies, BEC, Commonwealth Brewery and government agencies of the Government's plans for remediation works at Clifton Pier.
- All parties were advised that a remediation scheme had been designed by a firm called Coastal Systems International (CSI). Other companies had been engaged to put booms in place and to extract the oil.
- The group were also informed that “The engineering design work is ongoing for the construction of a concrete curtain protection wall 1,500 linear feet along the road and will be constructed based on preliminary assessment.....The thought is that it will be three to five feet below sea level.”