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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS  
Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA (Chair), Mr Michael Pettersson MLA  
(Deputy Chair), Mr Andrew Braddock MLA (Member)

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Question Taken on Notice (Committee)

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Asked by: Mrs Elizabeth Kikkert MLA

Addressed to: Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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Hearing date: 09/11/2023

In relation to: AG Performance audit report 4/2023 and Driving range of truck

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**THE CHAIR:** What is the driving range of the vehicle?

**Mr Phillips:** I will have to take that on notice—the specifications are. But anecdotally, it has been driving around for nearly eight hours per day. Some anecdotal stats is the fact that they take it up the top of Black Mountain. By the time they get back down from Black Mountain, there is more charge in the hybrid than there was at the start, due to the generation to recharge the batteries. The specifications on how long it lasts is quite impressive, but I will take that on notice.

Mick Gentleman MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

On electric charge only, the driving range of the Hybrid Electric Fire Truck is approximately two hours.

However, using the hybrid capability of the appliance the driving range extends significantly. This occurs under driving conditions and through the operation of the diesel engine. How much the driving range extends under the hybrid capability depends on the type of driving conducted. For example, the battery will charge at a greater rate driving around the ACT when it is frequently stopping, as opposed to driving down a freeway.

The ESA is testing all scenarios as part of its evaluation plan.

Approved for circulation to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts

Signature: 

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By the Minister for Police and Emergency Services, Mick Gentleman MLA