

ENERGY — BATTERY INSTALLATION

**1028. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to a media statement of Friday, 5 August 2022 titled, “Installation begins on WA’s biggest battery”, and the declaration, “The installation of more than 600 battery units will take approximately eight weeks.”

- (1) Eleven weeks on from this announcement, could the minister please provide an update on whether the installation is complete or when it is expected to be completed?
- (2) On what date is the big battery expected to be operational, and is it still within the planned time frame of the end of 2022?

**Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following answer is based on information provided to me by the Minister for Energy.

- (1) The installation is complete.
- (2) The battery is expected to be connected to the network by the end of 2022. Testing will be completed prior to deployment for system security or market dispatch to the south west interconnected system.