

SYNERGY — OUTAGE — COLLIE

598. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Synergy's unscheduled outage of the 318-megawatt Collie power station, initially shut for maintenance in early April 2023 and, as at 13 June 2023, unable to restart.

- (1) What is the scope of critical work that Synergy is currently undertaking at the power station?
- (2) When will the station be restarted, and what contingency plans are in place for generation, should this date not be met?
- (3) Since 1 June 2023, how many times has Synergy fired up diesel generators for power supply generation and continuity, on what dates and for what time periods?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided to me by the Minister for Energy.

- (1) The Collie power station is undergoing critical scheduled maintenance works on the generator exciter protection system—that is correct!
- (2) The scope of work is scheduled to be completed on 23 June 2023, at which time the unit will undergo final safety checks and commissioning. Generation capacity in the south west interconnected system is the responsibility of the Australian Energy Market Operator.
- (3) Nil.