

SYNERGY — COAL IMPORTS

1186. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

Thank you, President. I will keep trying.

I refer to Synergy's annual report 2022–23, tabled in the Legislative Council on 21 September 2023, and the statement of fact on page 122 of the report —

During 2023 the Corporation sourced fuel inventories from interstate to mitigate the risk of possible coal supply disruptions ...

- (1) Is the total purchase cost of the 103 000 tonnes of coal brought from Newcastle to Collie incorporated and detailed in the Synergy annual report 2022–23?
- (2) If yes to (1), on what page is the specific accounting data apportioned to the purchase presented?
- (3) What is the final total cost of bringing the 103 000 tonnes of Newcastle coal to the Western Australian coal mining hub of Collie?
- (4) Of the total price, what was —
 - (a) the purchase price of the coal;
 - (b) the transport costs of the coal; and
 - (c) the blending costs of the coal?

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)–(4) Synergy operates in a regulated competitive market with other market competitors. Due to this, the details of Synergy's contractual arrangements with coal suppliers including costs associated with delivery are commercial-in-confidence.