

SOUTH WEST INTERCONNECTED SYSTEM — GAS-FIRED POWER PLANTS

769. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

I refer to the Media Release *State-owned coal power stations to be retired by 2030* on Tuesday, 14 June 2022, and the statement “As part of these changes, the State Government has also committed to not commissioning any new natural gas-fired power stations on the South West Interconnected System (SWIS) after 2030”, and I ask:

- (a) (a) are there any plans for new gas-fired power stations on the SWIS between now and 2030; and
- (b) (b) if yes to (a), will the Minister identify:
 - (i) how many new-gas fired power stations are planned in total;
 - (ii) how many new-gas fired power stations will be gas peaking plants; and
 - (iii) how many new-gas fired power stations will be gas turbine power plants?

Hon Matthew Swinbourn replied:

- (a) No.
- (b) Not applicable.