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Hon Dr Steve Thomas; Hon Matthew Swinbourn

SYNERGY — COAL IMPORTS

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

My question is to that excellent parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy, who I am sure has it all under control.

I refer to the importation of coal from Newcastle to Collie from December 2022 to February 2023 to supply Synergy.

- (1) As at 13 February 2023, how many tonnes of that imported coal have been physically unloaded at Bunbury port?
- (2) What was the purchase, landing, transport and blending cost, both in total and per tonne of coal?
- (3) As at 13 February 2023, how many tonnes of the landed Newcastle coal remain in stockpile storage awaiting transport to Collie, and where is this stockpile?
- (4) What additional cost per tonne of coal is associated with this Bunbury stockpiling and storage?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

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

- (1) A total of 72 832 tonnes.
- (2) Synergy operates in a regulated competitive market with other market competitors. Due to this, the details of Synergy's contractual arrangements with coal suppliers are commercial-in-confidence.
- (3) A total of 6 076 tonnes, located at the Bunbury port.
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