

SYNERGY — COAL IMPORTS

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

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

- (1) What trucking transport contracts has Synergy secured for the 60-kilometre route for the transport of the Newcastle coal from Bunbury port to Collie?
- (2) Since 31 December 2022, how many each-way transport truck movements per day have been required to move the imported coal from Bunbury port to Collie?
- (3) Since 31 December 2022, what have been the daily tonnages of Newcastle coal transported from Bunbury port to Collie?
- (4) On what date will the entire 100 000 tonnes of imported Newcastle coal be delivered onsite to Collie?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. These coal questions always get me fired up!

Hon Dr Steve Thomas: It's a Thursday.

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN: Come on—it is my first question for the day.

Several members interjected.

The PRESIDENT: Order!

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN: The following information has been provided to me by the Minister for Energy.

- (1) Contracting arrangements for the transport of coal were negotiated between Yancoal and a trucking supplier. Synergy is not a party to these agreements.
- (2) On average, approximately 27 truckloads of coal a day were transported from Bunbury to Collie. It can vary each day due to driver and truck availability.
- (3) On average, it is 1 517 tonnes a day.
- (4) There have been 66 746 tonnes of coal delivered to Collie, including 50 000 tonnes from the first ship, the *Pan Poseidon*. It is anticipated that by early March all coal will have been delivered to Collie.

I note that this question was correct as of Tuesday, 14 February.