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Hon Colin De Grussa; Hon Matthew Swinbourn

ESPERANCE ENERGY TRANSITION PLAN

843. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

I refer to the Esperance energy transition plan.

- (1) To date, how many households and businesses have been transitioned to alternative energy appliances such as electricity or bottled LNG?
- (2) How many households and businesses have yet to transition?
- (3) How many households and businesses have disputed the financial package provided under the plan; and, of those, how many of those disputes are currently unresolved?
- (4) Is the minister confident that all households and businesses that currently rely on reticulated natural gas will be able to transition to alternative energy by the 31 March 2023 deadline?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) To date, 70 households and one business have been transitioned to an alternative energy solution under the Esperance energy transition plan.
- (2) The following households and businesses are either in the process of being transitioned or yet to be transitioned under the Esperance energy transition plan. This is in table form, and I seek leave to have the response incorporated into *Hansard*.

[Leave granted for the following material to be incorporated.]

Entity	Number
Households	165
Business	21

- One household has disputed the financial package provided under the Esperance energy transition plan. This application has been part approved to enable works to proceed with remaining queries being resolved currently.
- (4) Notwithstanding that the question seeks an opinion in breach of the standing orders, I can confirm that the minister is confident in Horizon Power's ability to deliver the Esperance energy transition plan.