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Hon Dr Steve Thomas; Hon Matthew Swinbourn

SYNERGY — MUJA 7 — OUTAGE

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

I refer to the ongoing forced outage of Synergy's 197-megawatt Muja 7 generation unit, which is due to return to service on 14 June 2023.

- (1) When did this current outage begin?
- (2) What is the scope of works associated with the forced outage at Muja 7?
- (3) Has Muja 7 returned to service on 14 June 2023; and, if not, when is service expected to recommence?
- (4) Since 1 June 2023, what are the daily forced outages of generation capacity in the south west interconnected system versus the planned outages of generation capacity?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer is provided on behalf of the Minister for Energy.

- (1) The current outage began on 23 May 2023.
- (2) Mechanical repairs are being undertaken to the high-pressure turbine inlet.
- (3) No. Muja 7 has been entered into the Australian Energy Market Operator's market systems for 29 July 2023.
- (4) Synergy is not responsible for recording daily forced outages of generation capacity in the south west interconnected system. The Australian Energy Market Operator holds information regarding generation outages, which is not an instrument of government. This information is publicly available on a real-time basis on the AEMO website and is fully available for the member to access.