

SYNERGY — COLLIE–NEWCASTLE COAL IMPORTS

1201. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Synergy's unprecedented action to bring 103 000 tonnes of coal from Newcastle to Collie last summer.

- (1) As at 9 October 2023, what is the current blending ratio of the imported Newcastle coal to the local Collie coal?
- (2) As at 9 October 2023, how much of the imported coal has been blended to be used for electrical generation?
- (3) As at 9 October 2023, how much of the imported coal has been burnt for generation?
- (4) What is the anticipated date on which all imported Newcastle coal will have been burnt for generation?

Hon MATTHEW SWINBOURN replied:

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

- (1) The blending ratio has changed to meet operational requirements. The current ratio is 10 to one.
- (2) It is a total of 74 kilotonnes.
- (3) As above.
- (4) It is approximately December 2023.