

RENEWABLE ENERGY — SECTION 91 LICENCES

**1041. Hon NEIL THOMSON to the minister representing the Minister for Lands:**

I refer to question without notice 1001 asked on 17 November regarding the issuance of section 91 licences to renewable energy companies.

- (1) On what date did the Minister for Lands and/or the former minister —
  - (a) first meet and/or correspond with representatives from Province Resources to discuss the availability of land for renewable energy;
  - (b) receive the first formal application from Province Resources Ltd for its 10 000-hectare licence area; and
  - (c) approve the licence?
- (2) Which native title body did the minister receive correspondence from concerning this request in order to authorise the licence?
- (3) If it was on a pastoral lease, did the minister seek consent and from whom?

**Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:**

I thank the member for the question. The following information has been provided by the Minister for Lands.

- (1)
  - (a) The Minister for Lands met with representatives from Province Resources on 25 August 2021 to discuss land tenure for hydrogen projects.
  - (b) On 27 May 2021.
  - (c) On 9 September 2021.
- (2) Not applicable. Native title rights and interests do not exist over the area of the section 91 licence.
- (3) Not applicable. The area of land that is the subject of the section 91 licence is not a pastoral lease.