

GAS — SUPPLY

**841. Dr D.J. HONEY to the Premier:**

I have a supplementary question. What is the Premier doing to ensure that his federal colleagues will take timely action to prevent future energy shortages in our state because of their approval processes?

**Mr R.H. COOK replied:**

Everywhere I go I hear people in the industry say that Hon Madeleine King gets it and she is a huge supporter for the industry in Western Australia. As an advocate in the federal cabinet, she is a champion. From that perspective, we are very confident that the federal government is aware of any concerns that might exist within Western Australia. Certainly, the recent challenges in the courts and the decisions by those courts on further stages for Scarborough are issues that we expect the federal government to take on board. We have made those views known to it. We will continue to make sure that we work with great champions of the industry like Madeleine King and great leaders of the industry like Meg O'Neill so that Western Australians continue to benefit from great gas policies.