

GREEN ENERGY DIRECTORATE

1557. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Environment:

One answer out of four.

I refer to the Cook Labor government's establishment of the Green Energy Directorate on 1 July 2023 to deliver timely approvals for green energy projects.

- (1) How many green energy projects since 1 July 2023 until 30 November 2023 has the directorate assessed?
- (2) How many green energy projects since 1 July 2023 until 30 November 2023 have received approval?
- (3) How many green energy projects since 1 July 2023 until 30 November 2023 have been rejected?
- (4) What was the time frame associated with all approved projects from their lodgement with the Green Energy Directorate to final determination?
- (5) What is the directorate's definition of "timely approvals", and what constitutes a fit-for-purpose assessment pathway?

Hon DARREN WEST replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question. On behalf of the Minister for Environment, I provide the following answer.

- (1)–(4) The Green Energy Directorate has been establishing the criteria for and pipeline of projects in scope of the green energy approvals initiative. The first set of green energy projects are due to start assessment in the second week of December.
- (5) Delivering a faster and more consistent approvals process is essential to meeting the Western Australian government's decarbonisation goals. The approvals reform approach will be informed by feedback from the independent review and latest actions under Streamline WA.