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Questions listed for this sitting:

1. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to the Minister's media release dated 10 April 2013 entitled *Major Reform for State's Energy Sector*, and his claim that incremental changes to the energy market since 2008 have reduced the cost to the State by approximately \$1 billion, and I ask:

- (a) who advised the Minister of this \$1 billion figure;
- (b) when was the Minister advised of this figure;
- (c) please provide the detail of each of these incremental changes that the Minister was referring to;
- (d) on what date were each of these incremental changes implemented; and
- (e) please provide a detailed breakdown of the saving made for each of these incremental changes?

2. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 8259, asked during the 38th Parliament, and the answer given, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm if these amounts remain the Government's budgeted profit before income tax equivalent expenses for Horizon for each of the four financial years listed in that question;
- (b) if no to (a), what are the current up-dated budgeted expectations for Horizon's profit for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016;
- (c) what are the current expected dividend payments from Horizon to the government for each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;

- (iii) 2014-2015; and
- (iv) 2015-2016?

3. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 8261, asked in the 38th Parliament, and the answer given, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm if these amounts remain the Government's budgeted profit before income tax equivalent expenses for Synergy for each of the four financial years listed in that question;
- (b) if no to (a), what are the current up-dated budgeted expectations for Synergy's profit for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016;
- (c) what are the current expected dividend payments from Synergy to the Government for each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016?

4. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 8260, asked in the 38th Parliament, and the answer given, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm that these amounts remain the Government's budgeted profit before income tax equivalent expenses for Verve for each of the four financial years listed in that question;
- (b) if no to (a), what are the current up-dated budgeted expectations for Verve's profit for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016;
- (c) what are the current expected dividend payments from Verve to the Government for each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016?

5. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

I refer to Question on Notice No. 8262, asked in the 38th Parliament, and the answer given, and ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm that these amounts remain the Government's budgeted profit before income tax equivalent expenses for Western Power for each of these four financial years listed in that question;

- (b) if no to (a), what are the current up-dated budgeted expectations for Western Power's profit for the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016;
- (c) what are the current expected dividend payments from Western Power to the Government for each of the following financial years:
 - (i) 2012-2013;
 - (ii) 2013-2014;
 - (iii) 2014-2015; and
 - (iv) 2015-2016?

6. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:

- (1) Is the Government still committed to achieving 20 per cent of electricity generation on the South West Interconnected System by the year 2020?
- (2) If yes to (1), does the Government have a plan to achieve this target?
- (3) If yes to (2):
 - (a) what are the elements of this plan;
 - (b) how much does the Government expect to invest in each element of this plan; and
 - (c) will this investment be funded by way (in whole or in part) of borrowings, and if yes, how much is the Government expecting to borrow?

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PETER McHUGH

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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