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- 7200. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Finance; Commerce; Small Business
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- 7237. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health; Disability Services
- 7238. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Road Safety
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- 7240. Dr J.M. Woollard to the Minister for Health

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- 7241. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Attorney General
- 7242. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Lands
- 7244. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Attorney General

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7247. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Education
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- 7311. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
- 7312. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Lands
- 7313. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Police
- 7314. Mr A.J. Waddell to the Minister for Transport
- 7315. Mr A.J. Waddell to the Minister for Transport
- 7316. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
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- 7320. Mr J.C. Kobelke to the Minister for Education
- 7321. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Education
- 7322. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Heritage
- 7323. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
- 7324. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Heritage
- 7325. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Heritage
- 7326. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Heritage
- 7327. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Transport

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- 7328. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Lands
- 7329. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Finance
- 7330. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Police; Road Safety
- 7331. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Commerce
- 7332. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Planning
- 7333. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 7335. Mr M. McGowan to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Tourism
- 7337. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development
- 7338. Mr M. McGowan to the Treasurer; Attorney General
- 7339. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Education
- 7340. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Finance; Commerce; Small Business
- 7341. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Police; Road Safety
- 7342. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Sport and Recreation; Racing and Gaming

- 7344. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy; Training and Workforce Development; Indigenous Affairs
- 7345. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Transport; Housing; Emergency Services
- 7347. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Local Government; Heritage; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
- 7348. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Agriculture and Food; Forestry; Corrective Services
- 7349. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Environment; Water
- 7350. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health; Disability Services
- 7351. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Transport
- 7352. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister representing the Minister for Commerce
- 7353. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health
- 7354. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier
- 7355. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Housing
- 7356. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development
- 7357. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Regional Development
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- 7359. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development
- 7360. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Regional Development
- 7361. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier

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- 7362. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for State Development
- 7363. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for State Development
- 7364. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Local Government
- 7365. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Planning
- 7366. Ms L.L. Baker to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
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- 7368. Ms L.L. Baker to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
- 7369. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Health
- 7370. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Treasurer
- 7371. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Road Safety
- 7372. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier; Minister for State Development
- 7373. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer; Attorney General
- 7374. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts; Science and Innovation
- 7375. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Transport; Housing; Emergency Services
- 7376. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Education
- 7377. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 7378. Ms L.L. Baker to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 7379. Ms L.L. Baker to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 7380. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer

- 7381. Mr P. Papalia to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 7382. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Attorney General
- 7383. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer
- 7384. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Premier
- 7385. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Education
- 7386. Mr P.B. Watson to the Minister for Transport
- 7387. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Police
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- 7392. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Tourism
- 7393. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Education
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- 7397. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Housing
- 7398. Ms J.M. Freeman to the Minister for Housing
- 7399. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

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- 7400. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Housing
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- 7403. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Housing
- 7404. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Planning
- 7405. Ms M.M. Quirk to the Minister for Water
- 7406. Mr R.H. Cook to the Minister for Health
- 7407. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Transport
- 7408. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Regional Development
- 7409. Mr M. McGowan to the Minister for Regional Development
- 7410. Ms A.S. Carles to the Minister for Transport
- 7411. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Transport
- 7412. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Heritage
- 7413. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier
- 7414. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier
- 7415. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Water
- 7416. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
- 7417. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
- 7418. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy
- 7419. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 7420. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Emergency Services

7421. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum
7422. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Premier
7423. Mr M.P. Whitely to the Minister for Transport
7424. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier
7425. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
7426. Mr M. McGowan to the Premier
7427. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
7428. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
7429. Dr J.M. Woollard to the Minister for Health
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7432. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Transport
7433. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Health
7434. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Premier
7435. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Police
7436. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Education
7437. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection
7438. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Fisheries
7439. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Training and Workforce Development
7440. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Corrective Services
7441. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts
7442. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Attorney General
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- 7484. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Water
- 7485. Mr F.M. Logan to the Minister for Education
- 7486. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier
- 7487. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier; Minister for State Development
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- 7496. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts; Science and Innovation
- 7497. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy; Training and Workforce Development; Indigenous Affairs
- 7498. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Transport; Housing; Emergency Services

7499. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Child Protection; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Women's Interests; Youth
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7506. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Attorney General

Questions listed for this sitting: -

7507. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Housing

With reference to the rapid expansion of a large number of resource projects across the Pilbara and the **Government's Regional Officers' Housing (GROH)** program, I ask, will additional funds be allocated to the following recipients immediately, or over which of the out years:

- (a) Pilbara teachers;
- (b) Pilbara nurses and hospital staff;
- (c) Police officers in the Pilbara; and
- (d) other Government officers across the Pilbara?

7508. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Health

In the light of well documented increased health needs for the town of Newman, I ask:

- (a) when will the Minister make a firm commitment to identify funding for the redevelopment of Newman Hospital; and
- (b) if no funds are currently to be allocated, what is the reason for the continued delay?

7509. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Education

With reference to schooling in the Town of Port Hedland, I ask:

- (a) what steps has the Department of Education taken to prepare for the expected influx of families to the town as a result of resource sector expansion plans;
- (b) based on BHP Billiton's immediate expansion plans alone, over 700 homes will be built in Port and South Hedland over the next few years to house residential employees, are Port Hedland schools prepared for the influx of students this expansion will bring; and
- (c) with the exponential increase set to follow on from BHP Billiton's planned Outer Harbour expansion, will the Government have in place plans to build new schools to cater for that additional influx of families to the town?

7510. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) Of the \$11.9 million allocated for the Hardship Efficiency Program (HEP), what is the budget for 2011–12?
- (2) How much of the budgeted amount for 2011–12 will be spent on Financial Counsellors?
- (3) What proportion of the cost of financial counsellors providing the service of referring people for assistance under Hardship Utilities Grants Scheme (HUGS) comes from the HUGS budget and what proportion comes from the HEP budget?
- (4) How much of the budgeted amount for 2011–12 will be spent on household energy efficiency assessments and hardware retrofits?

- (5) How much of the budgeted amount for 2011–12 will be spent on the fridge replacement scheme?
- (6) How many energy efficiency products, by type, have been supplied to customers since 1 July 2011?
- (7) When will the review of the hardship energy efficiency services be completed?

7511. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

Given the increasing number of households in Western Australia being disconnected by Alinta, why has the Government not compelled Alinta to participate as a full member of the Steering Committee overseeing the Hardship Efficiency Program?

7512. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Housing

What has the State Government done to improve the overall energy efficiency of our public and community housing since July 2011?

7513. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many households were visited under the Hardship Efficiency Program for assessments and/or fridge replacement, for each month of 2009, 2010 and 2011, and for each suburb and town?
- (2) Can the Minister please provide details of any evaluation of the Hardship Efficiency Program in 2009, 2010 or 2011 detailing what services households were provided with, the types of housing visited, and the outcome for householders either in reduced bills and/or increased comfort levels as a result of the visits; and
 - (a) if it is not possible to fully answer (2), I ask:
 - (i) of the households visited in 2009, 2010 and 2011 how much money was spent on hardware for each household for each year;
 - (ii) of the households visited in 2009, 2010 and 2011 what hardware was fitted in each year and how many of each hardware item was fitted each year;
 - (iii) of the households visited in 2009, 2010 and 2011, for each year, what proportion of households visited were in public or community housing;
 - (iv) of the households visited in 2009, 2010 and 2011, for each year, what proportion of households visited were in private rental accommodation;
 - (v) of the households visited in 2009, 2010 and 2011, for each year, what proportion of households were owner occupiers;
 - (vi) in 2009, 2010 and 2010, for each year, how many of the public houses visited had no ceiling insulation or inadequate ceiling insulation; and
 - (vii) what are the results of any evaluation of the effectiveness of the current Hardship Efficiency Program for those households who have had access to the program?

7514. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) Which Government Departments or Agencies are in receipt of the \$6.3 million allocated in 2011–12 for the public and community housing sub-program; and
 - (a) how much of the allocated \$6.3 million budget for 2011–12 will be spent in 2011–12;
 - (b) what are the individual programs within this budget allocation and how much are they costing;
 - (c) which Government Departments or Agencies are managing these programs; and
 - (d) what is the aim of each program and what progress has been made to date?
- (2) What energy efficiency measures have been installed to date in public housing?

7515. Mr C.J. Tallentire to the Minister for Lands

Did the Minister or any of his Departments commission a report, or reports, in 2010 or 2011, assessing the viability of a number of pastoral leases in the southern and northern areas of Western Australia; and

- (a) if yes, what was the cost of drafting the report or reports;
- (b) have the report or reports been finalised and released publicly;
- (c) if no to (b), when will they be finalised and released publicly; and
- (d) what are the main findings of the report or reports?

7516. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Premier

In reference to the Premier's address to the Western Australia Local Government Association's Annual General Meeting three years ago, stating that the number of Western Australian councils needed to be cut from 139 to fewer than 100, I ask:

- (a) how many Local Governments are there in Western Australia today;
- (b) why have significant inroads not been made into meeting this target;
- (c) will the Premier list the councils to be cut or amalgamated to achieve the outcome; and
- (d) will the Premier indicate the timeline for achieving the outcome?

7517. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

In relation to the State Government underground power policies and funding, I ask:

- (a) what areas within the electorate of Perth remain with overhead powerlines;
- (b) what is the cost of undergrounding these remaining lines;
- (c) under the current co-contribution formulae, what would be the costs of all parties' co-contributions; and
- (d) what is the excess maintenance cost of servicing these overhead lines as against undergrounded lines?

7518. Mr E.S. Ripper to the Minister for Mental Health

- (1) Will the minister list all the Government facilities and publicly funded non-government facilities that provide accommodation specifically for people with mental illness?
- (2) What was the total funded accommodation capacity of these facilities, for each of the financial years 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11 and to date in 2011–12, and how many people are currently on waiting lists for this type of accommodation?
- (3) Will the Minister provide the following information for each facility listed in (1):
 - (a) what proportion of the funded accommodation capacity is currently occupied;
 - (b) what mechanisms are in place to monitor the extent to which funded services have actually been supplied and to ensure that required standards of service have been met;
 - (c) where these mechanisms involve self-assessment what independent checks are implemented to ensure the accuracy of these self-assessments; and
 - (d) what action has the Minister taken in cases where funded facilities have failed to comply with self-assessment procedures?

7519. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Tourism

In relation to tourism funding for trade marketing offices, I ask, how much funding has each trade marketing office outside of Perth (including offices that are now closed) was received for each financial year since 2008?

7520. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Culture and the Arts

In relation to the \$1.12million pilot Artist-In-Residence (AIR) grants program, I ask:

- (a) what was the financial contribution to the program from the Federal Government through the Australia Council or other sources;
- (b) what was the financial contribution from the State Department of Culture and the Arts; and
- (c) what was the financial contribution from the State Department of Education?

7521. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister for Regional Development

In relation to the demolished Boulder United Friendly Society heritage building, I ask:

- (a) when did the Minister first agree to hand over the site to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder;
- (b) what funding has the Minister agreed to also contribute to the City regarding any possible recreation of a memorial or a facade on this site;
- (c) what heritage advice did the Minister receive before approving of the demolition, will the Minister table the advice, and if not, why not;
- (d) what conditions, either verbally or in writing did the Minister attach to any funding promised in association with this site;
- (e) what funding, aside from the State Government \$5 million Earthquake Restoration Fund and the \$1.35 million in Royalties for Regions to support the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Burt Street Heritage Precinct Restoration Project, has the Minister allocated or promised to the City for works in Boulder since the April 2010 earthquake;
- (f) what conditions were put on the \$1.35 million in Royalties for Regions funding to support the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Burt Street Heritage Precinct Restoration Project, will the Minister table the agreement, and if not, why not; and
 - (i) what amendments to the agreement have been agreed since the announcement on 13 December 2011;
 - (ii) how much and for what purposes has any of the \$1.35 million been spent thus far; and
 - (iii) will the Minister guarantee that none of the \$1.35 million will be spent on non-heritage restoration work; and
- (g) what written advice did the Minister receive from the Member for Eyre regarding any potential conflict of interest in any advocacy for Burt Street funding, given his electorate office is in the affected Burt Street precinct, and will the Minister table that advice, and if not, why not?

7522. Mr J.N. Hyde to the Minister representing the Minister for Finance

In relation to documents on the Minister's website relating to the contentious demolition of the Boulder United Friendly Society heritage Building in Boulder, I ask:

- (a) in each of the six reports listed, what changes to any of the original draft reports were made by the Minister's office or other departmental officers;
- (b) why does the date for the Structural Remedial Works report differ from the website to the actual report; and
- (c) why does the date for the Initial Structural Assessment report differ from the website to the actual report?

7523. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Premier

I refer to the Premier's announcement of the plan to allow joint-listing of companies on the Australian and Singapore stock exchanges, and I ask:

- (a) has the Premier, or representatives of the Premier's office, discussed this plan with the Australian Stock Exchange, and if so, on what date(s) and with whom;
- (b) has the Premier, or representatives of the Premier's office, discussed this plan with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission, and if so, on what date(s) and with whom;
- (c) has the Premier, or representatives of the Premier's office, discussed this plan with the Australian Government and if so, on what date(s) and with whom;
- (d) has the Premier, or representatives of the Premier's office, discussed this plan with the Singapore Stock Exchange, and if so, on what date(s) and with whom;
- (e) has the Premier, or representatives of the Premier's office, discussed this plan with the Singapore Government, and if so, on what date(s) and with whom;
- (f) which State Government department is the lead agency for implementing the Premier's plan, and which official in this department is the responsible official; and
- (g) is there a report or business case to underpin the Premier's plan, and if so, what is the title of the document, and will the Premier table this document?

7524. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Western Power's recently retired Managing Director, and I ask, how much was paid to Mr Aberle for base salary, bonus, other payments and superannuation in the years 2008–09 2009–10, 2010–11 and 2011–12?

7525. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Liberal Party election promise to provide a report into a commercial feed-in tariff, and ask:

- (a) why has the Government's election commitment not been implemented;
- (b) is it still the Government's policy to adhere to this election promise; and
- (c) when will the Government meet its election commitment?

7526. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's media release of 18 December 2008 headed Economic Regulation Authority (ERA) report on wholesale electricity market noted, and I ask:

- (a) does the Minister believe it is good practice to publicly respond to the Annual Wholesale Electricity Market Report of the Economic Regulation Authority; and
- (b) noting that the Minister for Energy publicly responded to the 2008 report, why has the Minister not responded to any subsequent ERA Annual Wholesale Electricity Market Report?

7527. Mr T.G. Stephens to the Minister for Transport

In reference to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice 6815 about the road from Newman to Marble Bar via Nullagine, I ask:

- (a) on what date was the preliminary assessment of the requirement to seal this road undertaken by Main Roads; and
 - (i) what funds were allocated to conduct this assessment, will the Minister table a copy of the assessment, and if not, why not; and
- (b) what sections of this road are to be resheeted in 2011–12 from the \$1.5 million allocated and what is the timeline for the works to commence and be completed;

- (c) what other works on this road are to be undertaken in 2011–12 or are budgeted for in the forward estimates, and which of these works are funded by resource companies, excluding the \$3 million flood-proofing of the Kalgan Floodway and the sealing of the 24 kilometre section of the road near Roy Hill north of the Fortescue River; and
 - (i) what is the time line for the sealing of this 24 kms section; and
- (d) does the State Government accept the view that there is an urgent need to have this whole road upgraded and sealed along its whole length to meet the current pressures on this inland road, and if not, why not?

7528. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

Will the Minister provide the amount of Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) paid by, or on behalf of, each of the following organisations for financial year 2010–11:

- (a) Verve Energy;
- (b) Synergy;
- (c) Western Power;
- (d) Horizon Power; and
- (e) Office of Energy; and
 - (i) for each organisation will the Minister provide details of any amounts of FBT paid for entertainment?

7529. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many executives of Horizon Power were provided with a motor vehicle in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and at what total cost?
- (2) How many executives of Horizon Power were provided with credit card in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and at what total cost?

7530. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

Can the Minister detail all independent power producers that have made investment decisions to build generation capacity on the South West Interconnected System, the dates on which these investment decisions were made, and the date first electricity was (or is planned to be) available to the system, since 1 October 2008?

7531. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) Will the Minister provide the number of occasions between 1 January 2012 and the present day that he authorised overseas travel for employees of each of the following organisations:
 - (a) Verve Energy;
 - (b) Synergy;
 - (c) Western Power;
 - (d) Horizon Power; and
 - (e) Office of Energy; and
 - (i) for each incidence of travel, will the Minister detail:
 - (A) the name of the employee, the organisation at which they work, and their job title;
 - (B) the date of departure and return date;
 - (C) the destination of the trip;
 - (D) the class of travel undertaken;
 - (E) the hotel(s) stayed in, and the city;
 - (F) the purpose of the trip; and

- (G) the total cost of the travel, including all accommodation, meals, incidentals, training programs, miscellaneous or other costs?
- (2) Are there any examples of overseas travel for each of the organisations listed in (1), where the Minister for Energy did not provide approval, and if so, for each such incidence of travel, please detail:
 - (a) the name of the employee, the organisation at which they work, and their job title;
 - (b) the date of departure and return date;
 - (c) the destination of the trip;
 - (d) the class of travel undertaken;
 - (e) the hotel(s) stayed in, and the city;
 - (f) the purpose of the trip; and
 - (g) the total cost of the travel, including all accommodation, meals, incidentals, training programs, miscellaneous or other costs?

7532. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Western Power's wooden power pole inspection program, and I ask:

- (a) how many wooden power poles have been inspected in calendar year 2011;
- (b) how many wooden power poles were inspected twice in calendar year 2011;
- (c) how many wooden power poles inspected in 2011 have failed subsequent to their inspection; and
- (d) how many wooden power poles is Western Power budgeting to inspect in calendar year 2012?

7533. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's statement in the media that the Liberal Government has saved \$1.6 billion in the electricity system since 2008, and ask, can the Minister detail the actual savings components that make up this \$1.6 billion?

7534. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Government's announcement of 29 August 2009 that it will create a Strategic Energy Initiative, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm that during the discussion forums held in 2010, these events were titled Energy 2030 – Strategic Energy Initiative;
- (b) can the Minister confirm that directions paper for the Strategic Energy Initiative was titled Energy 2031; and
- (c) can the Minister say whether the final report of the Strategic Energy Initiative will refer to the year 2032 in its title?

7535. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Premier

(1) I refer to the Premier's decision, as announced in Question Time on 28 February 2012, to amalgamate Synergy, Verve Energy, Western Power and Horizon Power to form two utilities, and I ask:

- (a) since 1 January 2012, has the Premier held discussions with any of the following organisations regarding the issue of amalgamation of Verve Energy and Synergy, and if so, on what date(s):
 - (i) The Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Western Australia;
 - (ii) The Chamber of Minerals and Energy of Western Australia;
 - (iii) The Energy Supply Association of Australia;
 - (iv) The Energy Retailers Association of Australia;

- (v) Alinta;
- (vi) Verve Energy;
- (vii) Horizon Power;
- (viii) Western Power;
- (ix) Synergy;
- (x) Perth Energy;
- (xi) ERM Power;
- (xii) Griffin Energy;
- (xiii) TransAlta Energy;
- (xiv) Alcoa;
- (xv) BHP Billiton;
- (xvi) The Department of State Development;
- (xvii) The Office of Energy;
- (xviii) The Independent Market Operator;
- (xix) The Economic Regulation Authority;
- (xx) Lanco; and
- (xxi) Yancoal?

- (2) Since 1 January 2012, has the Premier received correspondence from any of the organisations listed in (1) regarding the issue of amalgamation of Verve Energy and Synergy, and if so, on what date(s)?

7536. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many local government authorities have been issued with supplementary bills, additional bills, or other requests for payment for street lighting in respect of data issues with the implementation of the Synergy SAP system, and will the Minister provide the names of each of these authorities, and the amounts claimed by Synergy for each authority; and
- (a) how many local government authorities have agreed to pay any such amount, and will the Minister provide the names of each of these authorities, and the amounts agreed to be paid to Synergy for each authority.
 - (b) how many local government authorities are still in discussions with Synergy regarding such claimed amounts, and will the Minister provide the names of each of these authorities, and the amounts claimed by Synergy for each authority;
 - (c) are there any local government authorities that Synergy has agreed to waive or adjust the amount originally claimed by Synergy, and will the Minister provide the names of each of these authorities, and the amounts waived by Synergy for each authority;
- (2) As the Minister for Energy has not issued any media release regarding these issues, is it the intention of the Minister to make no public comment on this issue?
- (3) Is the Minister satisfied with the performance of Synergy in regard to this matter?
- (4) When did Synergy management first become aware of this problem?
- (5) Is the Synergy SAP system that has caused these issues the same system the Minister announced on 2 April 2009 that he had personally developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-class customer care and billing platform?

7537. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that the new Synergy billing system would save Synergy \$75 million over five years, and I ask:

- (a) how did the Minister calculate the figure of \$75 million, what was the detail of each savings item adding up to \$75 million, and in what years were these savings line items to be achieved;
- (b) what was the original allocation to this project;
- (c) what is the current budget for this project;
- (d) how much has been spent on this project to date;
- (e) how much still remains to be spent on this project; and
- (f) can the Minister quantify the savings from this project to date, and what are the details of these savings?

7538. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that he had personally developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-class customer care and billing platform, and I ask:

- (a) is the Minister for Energy satisfied that on page 23 of the Economic Regulation Authority's (ERA) 2010–11 Annual Performance Report – Energy Retailers, it states that there has been a 680% increase in Synergy complaints which are the result of the problems with Synergy billing system and increased tariffs; and
- (b) of this 680% increase in complaints, how many complaints specifically related to the customer care and billing platform that resulted from the system created by the five point plan the Minister developed with the board and management of Synergy?

7539. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that he had personally developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-class customer care and billing platform, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister confirm that Synergy provided a moratorium regarding disconnections during 2009–10 because of problems with their billing system;
- (b) how many customers were subject to this moratorium regarding disconnections during 2009–10; and
- (c) can the Minister for Energy confirm that this is the same billing system that he developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-class customer care and billing platform?

7540. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that he had personally developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-class customer care and billing platform, and I ask:

- (a) how many Synergy customers with roof-top photo voltaic systems contacted the Minister's office regarding issues with their statements and bills from Synergy during the years 2009, 2010 and 2011; and
- (b) how many Synergy customers with roof-top photo voltaic systems contacted Synergy regarding issues with their statements and bills from Synergy during the years 2009, 2010 and 2011?

7541. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that he had personally developed a five point plan with the board and management of Synergy to ensure Western Australians would receive a world-

class customer care and billing platform, and I ask, what are the five points that went into the plan that the Minister developed with the board and management of Synergy?

7542. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's announcement on 2 April 2009 that Western Australians would be trained to perform work on the Synergy billing system, and I ask:

- (a) how many Western Australians have been trained in this regard;
- (b) how many Western Australians are working on the Synergy billing system;
- (c) can the Minister for Energy confirm that 200 programming jobs have been sent to India to fix the billing system, and if no, how many programming jobs have been sent to India to fix the system;
- (d) in total, how many people are working on this project in India; and
- (e) when will the work on the billing system be complete?

7543. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many executives of Synergy were provided with a motor vehicle in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and at what total cost:
- (2) How many executives of Synergy were provided with credit card in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and what was the total amount charge to these cards?

7544. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

How much money was allocated to the Tariff Equalisation Fund in the following years 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11 and 2011–12?

7545. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many executives of Verve Energy were provided with a motor vehicle in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and at what total cost:
- (2) How many executives of Verve Energy were provided with credit card in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and what was the total amount charged to these cards?

7546. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) How many executives of Western Power were provided with a motor vehicle in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and at what total cost:
- (2) How many executives of Western Power were provided with credit card in each of the following years, 2008–09, 2009–10, 2010–11, 2011–12 and what was the total amount charged to these cards?

7547. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Premier

I refer to the Premier's announcement of 21 February 2012 that the cost of delivering electricity to this State is about 30 per cent more than people pay for it, and I ask:

- (a) is this announcement based on a report to Government, if so, will the Premier provide the following information:
 - (i) the name of this report;
 - (ii) the author of this report;
 - (iii) when was the report provided to Government; and
 - (iv) will the Premier table this report?
- (b) If this announcement is not based on a report to Government, will the Premier provide the following information:
 - (i) who calculated the amount of about 30 per cent;

- (ii) how is this 30 per cent increase calculated;
- (iii) will the Premier table the mathematical model that was used to calculate the amount of 30 per cent;
- (iv) who developed the mathematical model that was used to calculate the amount of 30 per cent;
- (v) what elements are included in the mathematical model that found that increase of 30 per cent is required;
- (vi) at what date was the calculation of 30 per cent made;
- (vii) does this calculation of 30 per cent remain valid for the financial years 2012 – 13, 2013–12 and 2014–15?
- (viii) what is the specific increase required to cover the costs of delivering electricity in this State that was rounded to 30 per cent in the Premier's announcement; and
- (ix) how is this specific increase calculated?

7548. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Table 8.1 on page 286 of Budget Paper No.3 of the 2011–12 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought or received advice on the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Horizon Power in the financial years 2012–13, 2013 –14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers;
- (b) what is the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Horizon Power in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers?

7549. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Table 8.1 on page 286 of Budget Paper No.3 of the 2011–12 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought or received advice on the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Synergy in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers;
- (b) what is the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Synergy in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers?

7550. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Table 8.1 on page 286 of Budget Paper No.3 of the 2011–12 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought or received advice on the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Verve Energy in the financial years 2012–13, 2013 –14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers;
- (b) what is the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Verve Energy in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers?

7551. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Table 8.1 on page 286 of Budget Paper No.3 of the 2011–12 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought or received advice on the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Western Power in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers;
- (b) what is the effect on earnings before interest and tax for Western Power in the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15 by applying the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers?

7552. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Table 8.1 on page 286 of Budget Paper No.3 of the 2011–12 Budget, and I ask:

- (a) has the Minister sought or received advice on the projected Revenue to Government for Income Tax Equivalent Payments, and Dividends, for the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15, from the assumed increase in tariffs detailed in the Budget Papers;
- (b) what is the effect on the projected Revenue to Government for each of Horizon Power, Synergy, Verve Energy and Western Power in respect of Income Tax Equivalent Payments, and Dividends, for the financial years 2012–13, 2013–14 and 2014–15?

7553. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to Western Power's program of planned outages, and ask, how many customers were notified of planned outages by the use of Express Post, and at what cost, over the following periods:

- (a) 1 July to 30 September 2011;
- (b) 1 October to 31 December 2011; and
- (c) 1 January to 31 March 2012?

7554. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister representing the Minister for Energy

I refer to the Minister's repeated statement that the re-merger of Verve Energy and Synergy remains a real option for the Government, and I ask:

- (a) does the Minister have any up-dated advice on the potential savings from the re-merger since he received the Verve Energy Review of August 2009, and if yes:
 - (i) who or what has provided this advice;
 - (ii) when was this advice provided;
 - (iii) does this advice come in the form of a report or briefing, and if so, what is the name of this report or briefing;
 - (iv) if such a document exists, will the Minister table the document;
 - (v) does this advice differ from the advice on page 11 of the Verve Energy Review of August 2009; and
 - (vi) what is the up-dated advice as to the savings available from a merger of Verve Energy and Synergy?
- (b) has the Minister sought advice from any agency on the costs of merging Verve Energy and Synergy, and if yes:
 - (i) which agency provided this advice;
 - (ii) when was this advice sought, and when was this advice provided;
 - (iii) does this advice come in the form of a report or briefing, and if so, what is the name of this report or briefing;
 - (iv) if such a document exists, will the Minister table the document;
 - (v) what is the up-dated advice as to the costs of a merger of Verve Energy and Synergy?

7555. Mr M.P. Murray to the Minister for Forestry

In relation to logging in State forests blocks, I ask,

- (a) is the Minister aware of any photographic evidence that show trees marked as habitat trees have been felled and are now left abandoned;
- (b) what is the criteria for marking a tree a tree to be retained as a habitat tree, or a tree with the potential to be a future habitat tree?

- (c) is there any logged timber that is unmilled, stacked and left abandoned in either of the Helms, Warrup, Arcadia, Merribup or Koonan forest blocks; and if yes:
 - (i) what plans does the Forestry Products Commission have for this forsaken timber;
 - (ii) how much logged, unmilled timber has been abandoned and in what forest blocks is this timber; and
 - (iii) what is the grade of the abandoned timber?

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PETER J. McHUGH
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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