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ELECTRIC VEHICLE STRATEGY — GREAT NORTHERN HIGHWAY

1470. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Climate Action:

I refer to the state government's electric vehicle charging network.

- (1) Does the state government plan to install electric vehicle charging stations on Great Northern Highway between Perth and Port Hedland?
- (2) If yes to (1), can the minister please specify the locations of the stations and their proposed date of installation?
- (3) If no to (1), why not?

Hon DARREN WEST replied:

I thank the member and fellow electric vehicle driver for the question. I provide the following answer on behalf of the Minister for Climate Action.

(1)–(3) The Western Australian EV network extends from Perth through to Port Hedland along Indian Ocean Drive and North West Coastal Highway. North of Port Hedland, the Western Australian EV network extends to the Northern Territory border along Great Northern Highway. On 4 November, the Minister for Energy announced round 2 of the Charge Up grant program providing grants for local governments, not-for-profits and small to medium enterprises to install EV charging infrastructure. These organisations located along Great Northern Highway between Perth and Port Hedland are eligible for these grants, which can support public EV fast-charging installations along this route.