

PUMPED HYDRO — COLLIE

1480. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the minister representing the Minister for State and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade:
- (1) I refer to the joint media statement of 14 June 2022 from the Premier and the Minister for Energy entitled “State-owned coal power stations to be retired by 2030 with move towards renewable energy”, which notes Synergy and the Water Corporation undertaking analysis to determine the feasibility of a pumped hydro project in Collie, and I ask:
- (a) have any of the following groups registered an interest in, submitted a proposal for, or engaged with any departmental or ministerial officer relating to the development of a pumped hydro project in Collie:
- (i) the Frederik Suhren, Kevin Reynolds and Brian Burke-led Pump Hydro Collie group;
 - (ii) the Seven Group as an entity, or officers representing the Seven Group;
 - (iii) the Jemena Group; and
 - (iv) Australian Capital Equity?
- (2) If yes to any of the groups in part (1):
- (a) when did the submissions or engagements occur;
 - (b) with whom did the proponent meet within Government; and
 - (c) who were the people representing the proponent in those meetings or submissions?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

- (1)–(2) Refer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 1475.