

GRIFFIN COAL — STATE AGREEMENT

**119. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the minister representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade:**

I refer to the response to question without notice 2 asked on 14 February 2023 that stated that the “government is currently engaging with a number of parties, including the receivers and managers of Griffin Coal and its lenders” to negotiate the extension of the Collie Coal Griffin state agreement, which is due to expire at the end of June 2023.

- (1) How does the \$1.44 billion of debt owed by Griffin Coal impact on the renewal negotiations?
- (2) Will any of this debt, including to local creditors, have to be guaranteed to be repaid as part of any new agreement with Griffin Coal?
- (3) How has the government assessed the viability of Griffin Coal going forward, and what is that assessment?
- (4) Has Griffin Coal been trading while insolvent or been suspected by the government for trading while insolvent in the last five years?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. I have questions C104, C106 and C107, plus question without notice 2, from the honourable member. I do not have C101. We will check. If it is available, the answer will be given to the member at the end of question time if that is okay.