

GRIFFIN COAL

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

Members might recognise a trend. I refer to question without notice 2 asked on 14 February 2023 and the answer, which states —

The government is currently engaging with a number of parties, including the receivers and managers of Griffin Coal and its lenders.

That was to negotiate the extension of the Collie Coal (Griffin) state agreement, which is due to expire at the end of June 2023.

- (1) Who specifically is representing the lenders to Griffin Coal in the negotiations?
- (2) Is ICICI Bank part of these negotiations or being consulted on the negotiations?
- (3) If yes to (2), with which person or persons representing ICICI Bank is the government negotiating?
- (4) Has either the Indian company Sindhu Trade Links or its Australian subsidiary Oceania Resources been involved in the negotiations in any way?
- (5) If yes to (4), will the minister please specify that involvement?

Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(5) Commercial discussions between the state and Griffin Coal’s receivers, lenders and customers are ongoing. The government will provide an update on a preferred approach once commercial discussions are further progressed. As part of the Griffin Coal commercial discussions, the government has met with representatives of ICICI Bank and Oceania Resources as lenders to Griffin Coal.