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Hon Dr Brad Pettitt; Hon Alannah MacTiernan

STATE DEVELOPMENT, JOBS AND TRADE — ALUMINA REFINERY AGREEMENTS

1047. Hon Dr Brad Pettitt to the minister representing the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade; Tourism; Commerce; Science:

I refer to the following State Agreements: Alumina Refinery Agreement Act 1961, Alumina Refinery (Pinjarra) Agreement Act 1969, Alumina Refinery (Wagerup) Agreement and Acts Amendment Act 1978, and Alumina Refinery (Worsley) Agreement Act 1973, and I ask:

- (a) does the Minister have a complete, current and fully amended copy of the agreement;
- (b) if yes to (a), could the Minister please table that agreement;
- (c) do any of the agreements contain end dates for the agreement;
- (d) if yes to (c), please state which agreements and what the end date of the agreement is;
- (e) does the Department have a summary of the regulations with which ALCOA need not comply due to the existence of the relevant state agreement;
- (f) does the Department have a summary of the regulations with which South32 need not comply due to the existence of the relevant state agreement;
- (g) if yes to (e), can the Minister please table that summary;
- (h) if yes to (f), can the Minister please table that summary;
- (i) can the Minister please advise if ALCOA and/or South32 are required to contribute to the Mining Rehabilitation fund;
- (j) if yes to (h), does ALCOA pay the unit/hectare rates as detailed in the *Mining Rehabilitation Fund Reporting Guidelines (September 2021)*; and
- (k) if yes to (h), does South32 pay the unit/hectare rates as detailed in the *Mining Rehabilitation Fund Reporting Guidelines (September 2021)*?

Hon Alannah MacTiernan replied:

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation advises:

- (a)–(b) The original State Agreement and all subsequent parliamentary variations for the four referred to are publically available from the Western Australian Legislation website maintained by the Parliamentary Counsel's Office within the Department of Justice.
- (c) No.
- (d) Not applicable.
- (e)–(f) No.
- (g)-(h) Not applicable.
- (i) No, in respect to the mining leases granted pursuant to the relevant State Agreements.
- (j)–(k) Not applicable.