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Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Energy; Industrial Relations

Our Ref: 71-10114
Your Ref: Petition No 108

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Dear Mr Swinbourn

PETITION NO 108 – STATE-OWNED ENERGY CORPORATIONS

Thank you for your letter of 21 March 2019 regarding the petition for the Legislative Council to consider changes to the criteria used by the State-owned energy corporations in power supply expression of interest processes (EOI).

All State-owned corporations must comply with government procurement principles to ensure that the outcome reflects balanced and commercial decision-making. Horizon Power and Synergy will seek outcomes that enable them to deliver reliable and secure power supply at the lowest cost.

In light of the petition, I have asked the Department of Treasury to work with Horizon Power and Synergy to review their EOI criteria for power purchase agreements, with a view to addressing the issues raised by Esperance Community Power. As part of this process, Treasury will consult community energy groups and other relevant stakeholders.

Thank you for bringing this matter to my attention and I trust that the information provided is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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