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**Questions listed for this sitting: -**

**188. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:**

I refer to the 2012–13 Budget announcement that there would be “an analysis of existing royalty rates in Western Australia” which would include “a three year period of consultation with potentially affected industries to end before 1 July 2015”, and I ask:

- (a) how many consultation meetings have taken place during the first nine months of this three year period of consultation, from 1 July 2012 until 31 March 2013 and who has attended these consultation meetings;
- (b) how many papers have been prepared by the Department as part of these consultations, and:
  - (i) what are the names of these papers, and on what date were they completed; and
  - (ii) will the Minister table these papers;
- (c) has the Department written to any stakeholders as part of this consultation process, and:
  - (i) if yes, who has been contacted; and
  - (ii) when was this contact made; and
- (d) has the Department received any correspondence concerning the announced analysis of royalty rates, and:
  - (i) has the Department received any correspondence regarding the decision in the Budget to book an additional \$180 million in revenue for increased royalty income; and
  - (ii) if yes, who sent this correspondence, and when was it received by the Department?

**189. Mr D.A. Templeman to the Minister for Water:**

I refer to the water monitoring program for the Peel-Harvey Estuarine System undertaken by the Department of Water, and ask:

- (a) when was the last time water monitoring took place in the Peel-Harvey System by the Department at its 12 water quality sampling sites;
- (b) what is the funded program for ongoing water monitoring of sites for 2013 and 2014;

- (c) when and where will data from the water monitoring of these sites be made available to the public; and
- (d) was the last set of water monitoring data for the Peel-Harvey System from samples taken in December 2011?

**190. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's comments in the House on 17 April 2013 that "The then-Labor Government made a couple of serious errors ... it failed, primarily, to make sure that the regulated price to retail equalled the cost", and I ask:

- (a) does the price of electricity charged by Synergy in accordance with the A1 as at 1 May 2013 tariff equal the cost of producing electricity;
- (b) if no, is it the policy of the Barnett Liberal Government to charge a full cost-reflective tariff for the Synergy A1 tariff;
- (c) does the price of electricity charged by Horizon in accordance with the A1 as at 1 May 2013 tariff equal the cost of producing electricity; and
- (d) if no, is it the policy of the Barnett Liberal Government to charge a full cost-reflective tariff for the Horizon A1 tariff?

**191. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to reviews of the town planning scheme currently with the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC), and ask:

- (a) how many are waiting for approval to advertise and from which Councils were they submitted; and
- (b) how long has each review been with the WAPC?

**192. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to reviews of the town planning scheme currently with the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC), and ask:

- (a) how many are waiting for final approval and from which Councils were they submitted; and
- (b) how long has each review been with the WAPC?

**193. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to reviews of the town planning scheme amendments currently with the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC), and ask:

- (a) how many are waiting for final approval and from which Councils have they been submitted; and
- (b) how long has each review been with the WAPC?

**194. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's media release dated 10 April 2013 headed "Major reform for State's energy sector", and I ask:

- (a) on what date does the Minister plan to have Verve and Synergy operating as one legal entity; and

- (b) on that date, will residential electricity consumers be paying for the full cost of generating and distributing electricity?

**195. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to local structure plans currently with the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC), and ask:

- (a) how many are waiting for final approval and from which Councils were they submitted; and
- (b) how long has each review been with the WAPC?

**196. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's comments in the House on 17 April 2013 that the South West Integrated System is "subject to both demand and supply shocks", and I ask, will the Minister please specify the demand shocks that he was referring to in his comments?

**197. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to the 26 properties acquired in 2011-2012 by the Western Australian Planning Commission, and ask:

- (a) what is the location of each property;
- (b) what is the size of each property;
- (c) what was the purchase price of each property; and
- (d) what was the valuation of each property at the time of acquisition?

**198. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's media release dated 10 April 2013 headed "Major reform for State's energy sector", and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister please detail the specific dollar savings that it is planned will result from the Government's restructure of Verve and Synergy for each year as below:
  - (i) 2013-2014;
  - (ii) 2014-2015;
  - (iii) 2015-2016; and
  - (iv) 2016-2017?

**199. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Premier's answer to Question without Notice No. 30 on 17 April 2013 that the Independent Market Operator is a regulator that controls two per cent of the electricity market in Western Australia, and I ask:

- (a) how was this figure of two per cent calculated;
- (b) which part of the electricity market does this represent;
- (c) will the Independent Market Operator be retained in the Minister's plans for the Western Australian electricity market after the merger of Synergy and Verve; and
- (d) if yes, what is the expected annual cost of the Independent Market Operator in each of the following years:



- (i) 2013-2014;
- (ii) 2014-2015;
- (iii) 2015-2016; and
- (iv) 2016-2017?

**200. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's comments in the House on 17 April 2013 that "one of the issues here, which was a bit different from the situation in Victoria, is that there are a lot of huge risks in the energy sector", and I ask, will the Minister please specify each of the specific risks that exist in the Western Australian electricity market that do not exist in Victoria?

**201. Ms R. Saffioti to the Minister for Housing:**

I refer to the 12 units owned by the Department of Housing at 28 Luton Close, Ballajura, and I ask:

- (a) how many of the units at Luton Close were transferred to Foundation Housing;
- (b) when were the units transferred to Foundation Housing;
- (c) what caused the refurbishment of all the units at 28 Luton Close;
- (d) what warnings were received by the Department and the Minister about the issues at 28 Luton Close;
- (e) how much is the refurbishment costing; and
- (f) what is the future of 28 Luton Close?

**202. Mr P.C. Tinley to the Minister for Planning:**

I refer to the Minister's answer to Question on Notice No. 8544 asked on 11 September 2012 concerning the City of Fremantle's Taylor's College development, and I ask:

- (a) does the document tabled with the Minister's answer to that question, Tabled Paper No. 5436, include the floor levels of the existing, abutting lots;
- (b) is the Minister aware that the experience of residents in these adjoining lots who were only expecting a 1.8 metre high wall, as indicated in the structure plan, is that they were not considered by the City of Fremantle when the decision was made to raise the level of the land by about 2 metres;
- (c) under the Local Planning Scheme, in considering the application submitted by the developer, was the City of Fremantle required to have regard to such matters as:
  - (i) the aims of the Local Planning Scheme;
  - (ii) the structure plan;
  - (iii) the preservation of the amenity of the locality;
  - (iv) the extent to which the natural contours of the land are altered by filling and excavation;
  - (v) the likely effect of the height, bulk and scale of the development on adjoining lots; the height, position, form and materials of fences and walls;
  - (vi) the probable effect on traffic flow and safety; and
  - (vii) any other planning consideration, such as variations that have been made to previously approved plans;
- (d) is the Minister aware that the Local Planning Scheme requires that the proposed structure plan conform with the Local Planning Scheme when advertised;

- (e) is advertising a proposed structure plan that conforms with the requirements of the Scheme (so that, for example, people who are likely to be affected can form a view and have their view properly considered by the local government), a separate but necessary process that must be observed to any subsequent decisions about the adoption of the structure plan, subdivision and development; and
- (f) in claiming that the proposed structure plan should generally comply with the scheme when advertised, is the Minister failing to observe the Local Planning Scheme when representations are made under section 211 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005* by people aggrieved by the failure of the local government to advertise a proposed structure plan that conforms with the requirements of the Scheme?

**203. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's comments in the House on 17 April 2013 that "when we [the Barnett Government] came into power in 2008-09, Verve was insolvent", and I ask:

- (a) who informed the Minister that Verve was insolvent in September 2008, when the Barnett Liberal National Government entered office;
- (b) if no one informed the Minister of this, how did he come to this conclusion;
- (c) has the Minister read the 2007-08 Verve Energy Annual Report;
- (d) is the Minister aware this report was tabled in the Legislative Assembly on 6 November 2008;
- (e) is the Minister aware that on page 3 of this report it states: "Verve Energy is a State asset with an equity level of \$438 million";
- (f) is the Minister aware that on page 4 of this report it further states: "our [Verve Energy's] net assets are \$438.1 million";
- (g) is the Minister aware that on page 7 of this report there is a table that includes the following information: "Net assets (\$m): 438.1";
- (h) is the Minister aware that on page 13 of the financial review in this report there is a table includes the following information: "Closing balance at 30 June 2008: 438,075";
- (i) is the Minister aware that on page 14 of the financial review in this report there is a table includes the following information: "Total equity: 438,075";
- (j) is the Minister aware that on page 47 of this report it states, over the signature of the Chairman of Verve Energy: "there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Corporation will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable";
- (k) is the Minister aware that on page 48 of this report it states, over the signature of the Auditor General: "In my opinion, the financial report of the Electricity Generation Corporation is in accordance with schedule 4 of the Electricity Corporations Act 2005, including: "(a) giving a true and fair view of the Corporation's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of its performance for the year ended on that date";
- (l) if the Minister is aware of these matters, does he still maintain that "Verve was insolvent"; and
- (m) if he does not still maintain this view, when will he be correcting the record of the Parliament?

**204. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Premier; Minister for State Development; Science:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Premier, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**205. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Deputy Premier; Minister for Health; Tourism:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Deputy Premier, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**206. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Regional Development; Lands; Minister Assisting the Minister for State Development:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**207. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Education; Aboriginal Affairs; Electoral Affairs:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**208. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Fisheries:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Treasurer, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**209. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Planning; Culture and the Arts:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**210. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Police; Road Safety; Small Business; Women's Interests:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**211. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Training and Workforce Development; Water; Forestry:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**212. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Minister for Mental Health; Disability Services; Child Protection:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**213. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister representing the Attorney General; Minister for Commerce:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Attorney General, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and

- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**214. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum; Housing:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**215. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Sport and Recreation; Racing and Gaming:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**216. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Energy; Finance; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**217. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Local Government; Community Services; Seniors and Volunteering; Youth:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**218. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Environment; Heritage:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**219. Mr B.S. Wyatt to the Minister for Emergency Services; Corrective Services; Veterans:**

In respect of each agency responsible to the Minister, I ask:

- (a) what was the level of Commonwealth recurrent funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates; and
- (b) what was the level of Commonwealth capital funding each year for the past 10 years and what is the estimated amount of Commonwealth funding for each year across the forward estimates?

**220. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's comments in the House on 17 April 2013 that: "So when we came into power in 2008-09, Verve was insolvent", and I ask:

- (a) when the Minister was appointed as Minister for Energy, did he receive a briefing note from the Public Utilities Office, and if yes:
  - (i) on what date did he receive this document; and
  - (ii) did this briefing note include any matters relating to the solvency of Verve Energy; and
- (b) when the Minister was appointed as Minister for Energy, did he receive a briefing note from Verve Energy, and if yes:
  - (i) on what date did he receive this document; and
  - (ii) did this briefing note include any matters relating to the solvency of Verve Energy?

**221. Mr W.J. Johnston to the Minister for Energy:**

I refer to the Minister's media release dated 10 April 2013 headed: "Major reform for State's energy sector", and I ask, will the Minister please detail the specific dollar savings that it is planned will result from the Government's restructure of Verve and Synergy for each year as below:

- (a) 2013-2014;
- (b) 2014-2015;
- (c) 2015-2016; and
- (d) 2016-2017?

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**PETER MCHUGH**

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly

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