

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**  
**Question Without Notice**

**Wednesday, 12 October 2016**

**C1160. Hon Robin Chappie to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy**

In the context of the recent announcement Synergy will be offering battery storage systems to the general public, I refer to the requirement to fill out a '*Renewable Energy Systems Application Form*' online when installing a Solar PV on your home or business, and ask:

1. What measures are there in place to ensure that Synergy does not have an unfair advantage in the battery storage and solar market?
2. What will be the cost to Synergy of building this division?
3. Is the Synergy website operating in an anti-competitive manner?
4. If no to (3), please justify advertisements offering battery storage systems upon completion of the '*Renewable Energy Systems Application Form*' on Synergy's website, given that completion of this form is a requirement for every solar customer in the South West Interconnected System.

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**Answer**

1. Applications submitted to Synergy to install renewable energy systems and battery storage systems are dealt with via separate processes.
2. \$0
3. No.
4. Synergy is not advertising battery storage systems on any section of its website.

*M. Mahan*