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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE
(Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday, 14th October 2014

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum

I refer to Question Without Notice 828 asked on 19 August 2014, in which the Minister advised, and I quote: "there is no such thing as unconventional gas in Western Australia", and I ask:

1. If there is no such thing as unconventional gas in Western Australia, to what does the 'Inquiry into the Implications for Western Australia of Hydraulic Fracturing for Unconventional Gas' being conducted by the Environment and Public Affairs Committee owe its name?
 2. If there is no such thing as unconventional gas in Western Australia; what is the 'Inquiry into the Implications for Western Australia of Hydraulic Fracturing for Unconventional Gas' investigating?
 3. What does the Minister understand the term 'unconventional gas' to mean?
 4. What does the Minister understand the term 'renewable energy' to mean?
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I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

1. The Minister is not a member of the Environment and Public Affairs Committee and has no involvement with its operations and inquiries.
 2. The terms of reference are available from the Environment and Public Affairs Committee.
 3. Not applicable. There is no accepted definition for the term 'unconventional gas'.
 4. Energy from a source that is not depleted when used.
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