LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL Question On Notice

Tuesday, 26 June 2018

1429. Hon Robin Chappie to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Energy

- (1) Is the Minister aware that Horizon Power has a General Manager based in the Eastern States?
- (2) Does the Minister support such an arrangement?
- (3) If yes to (2), why?
- (4) Will the Minister advise of the cost incurred by Horizon Power since the appointment of this General Manager, for travelling to and from Perth for Horizon Power related business?
- (5) Will the Minister confirm that Horizon Power has contracted Eastern States based solar equipment suppliers?
- (6) Will the Minister provide details of any tender process that was undertaken to provide an opportunity for Western Australian based suppliers to win these contracts?
- (7) Will the Minister table any associated tender assessment reports, appropriately redacted to remove commercial in confidence material?
- (8) If no to (4), (5), (6) and/or (7), why not?

Answer

- (1) All Horizon Power General Manager roles are based in Western Australia.
- (2) Not applicable
- (3) Not applicable
- (4) Costs incurred by all General Managers for travel to and from work is at their personal expense. Travel for business purposes is incurred by Horizon Power.
- (5) Yes, Horizon Power has partnered with an east-coast based company Energy Matters to undertake a nine month pilot project offering solar products to the town of Karratha. The pilot ends in December 2018.
- (6) The procurement and governance processes used to identify and select the supplier for Horizon Power Solar were in accordance with Horizon Power's Procurement and Contract Management Framework. The procurement process gave consideration to Western Australian companies and all Karratha-based installers were given the opportunity to install the Horizon Power Solar products in Karratha.
- (7) Not applicable. The procurement process for a small pilot does not yield any tender assessment reports. At the conclusion of the pilot in December 2018, Horizon Power will undertake a full evaluation process to determine if and how the product will be rolled out to the remainder of its service area. This will require an open market tender process should the decision be made to continue with the product offering.
- (8) Not applicable

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