

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE NO. 5

BUDGET ESTIMATES 2008-2009 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Energy

Friday 17 October 2008

Answers to be lodged by: Wednesday 12 November 2008

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Questions relating to the portfolio of Energy

17 OCTOBER 2008, 9.15 am – 11.15 am

Questions from Mr Khan

- 1. Renewable energy
 - a. What progress has the Government has achieved in supporting and exploring the following sources of renewable energy:
 - i. Hydro
 - ii. Biomass
 - iii. landfill methane
 - iv. wind
 - v. solar
 - b. Is the Minister confident the Government's target of 10% of energy from renewable energy sources by 2010 will be achieved

2. Water use – generators

- a. How many million litres of water does each of the State's generators use to operate each year?
- b. Has this figure increased or decreased since you became Minister for Energy?
- c. What action has the Government taken to make the State's coal-fired generators more water efficient?