

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1373

asked on Wednesday, 1 November 2006

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**MR KNUTH** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MINES AND ENERGY (MR WILSON)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Government's document "Water for South East Queensland: a long term solution" and State Government cost estimates of \$1.7 billion for the Traveston Dam (p64)—

Will he provide details of changes required to electricity transmission and distribution infrastructure, including cost estimates for those changes, arising from the Traveston Crossing Dam project?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for his question.

I am advised that Queensland Water Infrastructure Pty Ltd (QWI) has taken over from the Department of Natural Resources and Water as project proponent for the proposed Traveston Crossing Dam. I am further advised that QWI has recently completed concept design work to allow the dam location and footprint to be finalised.

I am also advised that QWI has been giving priority to identifying potential impacts on landowners and road infrastructure and now that this work is largely completed, it will be turning its attention to impacts on other infrastructure, including power infrastructure. In this regard, I am further advised QWI officers propose to have discussions with Powerlink and ENERGEX personnel in coming weeks.

I am advised there will be little, if any, impact on Powerlink's electricity transmission infrastructure but it is likely there will be significant impact on ENERGEX's electricity distribution network. The position will become clearer following the foreshadowed discussions between QWI, Powerlink and ENERGEX.