

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 959

asked on Friday, 8 June 2007

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

QUESTION:

- (1) Will he provide details of expenditure by departments under his portfolio (including Government Owned Corporations) for the electorate of Cleveland for 2006-07?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question.

The Queensland Government owned electricity distribution corporation, ENERGEX has been very active in the Cleveland area in 2006-07.

During the 2006-07 fiscal year, ENERGEX invested over \$3.2 million on improving the electricity network in the Cleveland area.

The work included over \$1 million in 2006-07 towards the installation of the third transformer at Cleveland Zone substation. The transformer will increase the substation capacity by 80 percent to ensure sufficient network capacity is available well into the future. The total project cost is \$1.9 million and is scheduled for completion in the second half of 2007.

ENERGEX also invested over \$1.4 million to install, upgrade, or replace 22 distribution transformers in the Cleveland area. Distribution transformers provide the local businesses, farms, industry, and residences with their local 240 volt power supply.

ENERGEX invested a further \$650,000 on minor capital works including pole replacements, installing street lights, and upgrades to the low voltage network.

This work builds on the \$5.2 million ENERGEX invested in the Cleveland area in 2005-06.