

Question on Notice

No. 1277

Asked on 16 September 2009

Mr GIBSON asked the Minister for Infrastructure and Planning (Mr HINCHLIFFE)—

QUESTION:

Will he advise the status of the provision of infrastructure for the development of the Surat Basin, in particular the status and timeframe for the Surat Basin Railway?

ANSWER:

I thank the Honourable Member for Gympie for his question.

The Surat Basin Railway (SBR) Joint Venture and the State are currently negotiating the terms of a Development Agreement for construction of the SBR. Under the Exclusive Mandate Agreement the Joint Venture is required to achieve financial close by June 2010. This would allow for construction to be completed by 2013. To date, all milestones in the Agreement have been met by the Joint Venture.