QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1707

asked on Tuesday, 10 November 2009

MR BLEIJIE ASKED THE MINISTER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (MS JONES)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the ClimateSmart Home Service to assist residents to become more energy efficient:

- (1) What steps has the government taken to actively promote the program to residents outside of Brisbane, especially residents on the Sunshine Coast?
- (2) How many residents on the Sunshine Coast, particularly in the Kawana Electorate, have taken advantage of the program?
- (3) How are independent contractors who carry out the home inspections employed and how is the scheduled work divided between these contractors?

ANSWER:

I am delighted to see the Member for Kawana is taking such a keen interest in the Government's ClimateSmart Home Service (CSHS). The member would be happy to know that 9,739 households on the Sunshine Coast have applied for the service. I challenge the member to help me reach 10,000 registrations by the end of the year.

- (1) Specific to the Sunshine Coast, the CSHS is advertised regularly in the Sunshine Coast Weekender and TV advertisements. The CSHS Roadshow attended the Kawana Shopping Centre from 24 to 28 August 2009. In addition, Sunshine Coast residences have received targeted direct mail and letterbox drops.
- (2) A total of 9,739 households in the Sunshine Coast region have applied for the service.
- (3) The Department of Environment and Resource Management has a contract with Fieldforce Services Pty Ltd (Fieldforce) to deliver the CSHS. Fieldforce is responsible for the contractual arrangements between Fieldforce and its' sub-contractors.

Qualified electricians may apply to work for the program by contacting Ms Melissa Cullen on telephone 3258 1030 or via email qldrecruitment@fieldforce.net.au. Interested electricians are provided with an outline of the required work, including the prerequisites required by Fieldforce (for example, insurance details, license details and criminal checks).

If you have any specific concerns regarding any contractor, please contact me and I will follow up the matter.