

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

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**MRS STUCKEY** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR MAIN ROADS, ROAD SAFETY AND PORTS AND MINISTER FOR ENERGY AND WATER SUPPLY (HON M BAILEY)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Tugun desalination plant — How much does it cost to run annually and do these costs include expenses associated with maintenance and replacement of used parts such as membranes, and if not, what are these costs expected to be over the next three years?

ANSWER:

The budgeted average annual running cost of Gold Coast Desalination Plant over the next three years is \$15.2 million per annum, as per the current Queensland Competition Authority submission. These costs include all budgeted operational costs including preventative, corrective and breakdown maintenance, energy, employee and all other operational costs as well as \$0.2 million per annum of capital expenditure designated for asset and membrane replacement.

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