Question on Notice No. 732 Asked on Thursday, 27 May 2021

MR S ANDREW ASKED MINISTER FOR ENERGY, RENEWABLES AND HYDROGEN AND MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS AND PROCUREMENT (HON M DE BRENNI)

Will the Minister (a) explain why the start-up of Swanbank E was delayed until 7:30pm following the Callide C failure at 2pm, (b) explain why the Gas plant took a further 90 minutes to achieve 88 percent of rated capacity at 9pm and (c) provide an assurance that the Swanbank E plant will be retained, and details on the extent of future maintenance and staffing to ensure a more timely response?

ANSWER

The Swanbank E power station was operated in accordance with correct operating procedures.

Detailed operations of this and other power stations is commercial-in-confidence.