

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 876

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MR P WEIR ASKED THE MINISTER FOR RESOURCES (HON S STEWART)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the department receiving data on a 6 monthly basis on production volumes produced by gas tenure holders in Queensland—

Will the Minister outline, from 2018 to present (reported separately by year) for Arrow, GLNG, APLNG and QCLNG (a) the regulatory production commitments and (b) the actual volumes produced?

ANSWER:

- a) Under the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004*, holders of petroleum leases are obligated to lodge development plans that include a range of information, including the rate and amount of production proposed from a reservoir, and a schedule for proposed production from the reservoir during the plan period.

These development plans are commercial-in-confidence information, and it would not be appropriate to provide that information in a way that would allow for the competitors of those firms to discern a commercial advantage; however, the aggregated gas nominated by Arrow, GLNG, APLNG and QCLNG in their development plans for the requested period is outlined below.

Year	Aggregate Gas Production (Proposed) (Arrow + GLNG + APLNG + QCLNG) million metres ³
2018-19	41,004.73
2019-20	38,792.58
2020-21	39,187.98
2021-22	40,603.90

It is not unusual or unreasonable for production to differ from these estimates for a range of legitimate reasons, which is why the *Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act* places an obligation on petroleum lease holders to lodge a proposed later (i.e. updated) development plan as soon as practicable after they become aware of any significant change that is not already dealt with under the existing development plan.

- b) Aggregated gas volumes produced as reported by Arrow, GLNG, APLNG and QCLNG for the requested period are outlined below.

Year	Aggregate Gas Production (Actual) (Arrow + GLNG + APLNG + QCLNG) million metres ³
2018-19	45,748.23
2019-20	40,428.94
2020-21	39,143.26
2021-22	Data not yet available

The Petroleum and Gas (General Provisions) Regulation 2017 requires that holders of a petroleum lease lodge a petroleum production report for the lease for each six-month period within 60 business days after the period ends. Actual production volumes for the 2021-22 financial year are unable to be provided as this information is not yet fully available.