Question on Notice

No. 827

Asked on 15 June 2023

MR J BLEIJIE asked the Deputy Premier, Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning and Minister Assisting the Premier on Olympic and Paralympic Games Infrastructure (HON S MILES) –

QUESTION:

Will the Deputy Premier advise (a) the amount of Queensland Government funding provided to scale up the National Battery Testing Centre in 2022-23 and (b) whether any funding will be carried forward to future years?

ANSWER:

- a) On 15 June 2022, the Treasurer and Minister for Trade and Investment announced \$15 million in funding to support the Queensland University of Technology to scale up the National Battery Testing Centre in Banyo, Brisbane.
 - This funding will leverage some \$35 million in contributions from the Queensland University of Technology and industry.
- b) Since the announcement, the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning has worked closely with the Queensland University of Technology to negotiate a funding agreement. Once finalised, funding will be carried forward over four years to mid-2027.
 - Since its establishment in 2021, the National Battery Testing Centre has attracted battery companies to Queensland as demand for independent testing and certification services increases.