Question on Notice No. 153 Asked on 5 March 2024

Mr S Andrew asked Premier (Hon. S Miles)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Queensland's contractual obligation for delivering a Climate Positive Games in 2032—

Will the Premier provide (a) details of emissions assessments (e.g. energy use/emissions), (b) details of planned carbon offsets, including (i) amount to be paid as financial compensation/offset, (ii) number and type of trees/plantation forests to be planted and (iii) location of these new plantation forests and (c) details of specific infrastructure projects (i.e. Pioneer Pumped Hydro) which may be used as an offset towards delivering carbon neutrality?

ANSWER:

Climate action is a key sustainability priority for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games (Games). Through the Olympic Host Contract with the International Olympic Committee, the Games Delivery Partners have committed to managing carbon emissions within an agreed Carbon Budget, minimising Games-related emissions, aiming to remove more carbon from the atmosphere than what the event emits and using the Games' influence to encourage climate action.

I am advised that the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organising Committee and Brisbane 2032 Coordination Office are working to estimate carbon emissions from Games-related activities and identify cost-effective measures to reduce emissions across all sources. This work is ongoing.

As part of supporting the Games, the Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan outlines the optimal infrastructure pathway to decarbonise Queensland's energy supply including new renewable, storage and firming, dispatchable capacity and transmission needed for the Queensland SuperGrid, to achieve the renewable energy targets of 50 per cent renewable energy by 2030, 70 per cent renewable energy by 2032 and 80 per cent renewable energy by 2035. Utilising innovative and reliable low emission solutions from renewable energy sources, will support the delivery of the Games and climate action commitments.