

QUESTION ON NOTICE

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HON G GRACE ASKED MINISTER FOR FINANCE, TRADE, EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING (HON R BATES)

QUESTION:

With reference to the Minister's meeting in Tokyo with Marubeni, and the Crisafulli Government's decision to cancel the CQ-H2 Hydrogen Project in Gladstone—

Will the Minister advise (a) if the Minister raised with Marubeni at her dinner, the potential or pending cancellation of the CQ-H2 project, (b) if the answer to (a) is no, why not, (c) if the answer to (a) is yes, why was the decision announcement delayed until February and (d) did the Energy Minister or Trade Minister consult with the Federal Minister for Energy or the Federal Minister for Trade before the cancellation decision was announced?

ANSWER:

The premise of this question is incorrect. The CQ-H2 project has not been cancelled by the Queensland Government. The project reached a decision point, after my return from my trade mission to Japan and South Korea, requiring more than \$1 billion in additional State Government funding, which was not budgeted for by the previous Government.

We are focused on our energy generators providing affordable, reliable and sustainable power for Queenslanders.

The State will continue to support the green hydrogen sector – as it will with all industries - through its well-established planning, coordination, and trade and investment frameworks.

Queensland welcomes commercially viable energy projects from around the world and stands ready to work with investors to drive sustainable economic opportunities for the future.