

Select Committee on COVID-19
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources
Inquiry into the Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, SCIENCE, ENERGY AND RESOURCES

TOPIC: Gas pipelines

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QUESTION No.: 2

Can the government currently underwrite gas pipelines or contract gas offtake agreements under existing legislation or will new supporting legislation be required?

ANSWER

The appropriate mechanism to underwrite a particular project would be highly dependent on the context and specific details of any proposal, which could vary significantly.