

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation and Science Portfolio
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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Burdekin Dam

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Ketter

QUESTION No.: AI-209

- 1) What steps have been taken to increase the height of the Burdekin Dam?
 - a. How far has the business case for this project progressed?
 - b. Has this been fast-tracked per the Deputy's commitment in May 2016?
 - c. What is the height that the Burdekin Dam will be increased by?
- 2) Will any planned increase to the height of the Burdekin Dam be sufficient for a hydro power station?

ANSWER

- 1) The Department of Industry, Innovation and Science does not have portfolio responsibility for this work. The Commonwealth through the Feasibility Studies Component of the National Water Infrastructure Development Fund is funding the Queensland Government to undertake this study. This question should be directed to the Queensland Government Department of Energy and Water Supply.
- 2) Refer to Answer 1.