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Asked by Johnathan Davis MLA:

In relation to: Canberra Theatre Redevelopment

MR DAVIS: Thank you, that is clear. The Canberra Theatre Centre redevelopment, then. Will the Canberra Centre Theatre redevelopment have gas connection, any gas use?

Mr Barr: Early stages of the project, but I would not have thought so. I do not think it is a bit energy user, so I do not think it would need it.

MR DAVIS: Would you be comfortable taking that question on notice so I could know for sure?

Mr Barr: Well, I can, but I do not know the answer finally yet. But I would say that given how early—I mean, the project is at a very early stage, so—but my assessment is that it is not a big energy user. We would need space heating. That would be its major call on energy. So I think that could be managed. It might require some electricity network augmentation within the CBD, but time will tell on that.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

Currently the Canberra Theatre Centre is connected to gas which is used to heat the facility.

The redevelopment project is currently in its planning phase. It is the intention that government policy requirements will be met in that there will be no requirement for a gas connection and the facility would be 100% electric powered. During the detailed design phase, the heating and cooling systems solution will be finalised.

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Asked by Elizabeth Lee MLA:

In relation to: Cladding Rectification

MS LEE: Yes, no worries. I wanted to go to the cladding rectification project. How many ACT government buildings have been identified with cladding issues?

Mr Barr: This is Minister Vassarotti's area. MPC are assisting. From memory, it was in the 30s.

Mr Edghill: 21.

Mr Barr: 21.

MS LEE: 21, okay. And have you been able to do an assessment about how many out of the 21 require major works or complete redoing and how many are minor modifications?

Mr Barr: Why do we not take it on notice, given it is Minister Vassarotti's area? I am happy to take it on notice, but it is with another minister, so I just think it is probably best that I not—

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Mr Edghill: Thank you for the question. Actually, if I may just very quickly also just correct a number I made before. I noted there were 21 buildings. It is 23. So sorry.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

Of the 23 ACT Government buildings where cladding rectification works are proposed, and if the distinction between 'minor' and 'major' works is taken to be 'an estimated cost of under or over \$1 million,' then based on current estimates 18 sites will be the subject of works of a value of under \$1 million each and 5 sites will be the subject of works currently estimated to cost in excess of \$1 million each.

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