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Inquiry into referred 2017–18 Annual and Financial Reports
ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
15 November 2018

Asked by Ms Nicole Lawder MLA:

In relation to:

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In relation to: street lights

- 1) How is the new Energy Performance Contract going?
- 2) What is the current backlog of out of order lights?
- 3) Has the backlog of unmaintained lights been fixed?
- 4) How many street lights are currently out in Canberra?
- 5) How many streetlights currently out are out because of electrical faults?
- 6) On average how long does it take to fix streetlights that have been out because of wiring issues?
- 7) What is the government doing to try reduce this time down?

Mr Chris Steel MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

- 1) Streetlight network availability (a measure of overdue outages) has continued to steadily increase, and is at approximately 97%. Electrix Pty Ltd has also commenced the replacement program which has already seen more than 3,000 energy efficient lights installed.
- 2) On 29 November 2018, there were 939 defects in process.
- 3) Approximately 130 (of 2283) streetlights outages are outstanding from prior to the new contract's commencement. Maintenance crews have attended and assessed these sites. The majority of these lights are on arterial roads and will be replaced as part of the streetlight replacement program to avoid duplication of effort and reduce traffic impact.
- 4) On 29 November 2018, there were 939 defects in process.
- 5) On 29 November 2018, there were 939 defects in process, all involve some form of electrical fault.
- 6) Cable fault target response time is 15 days. In complex cases this may not always be achieved. The average completion period for cable defects completed during September 2018 was 9 days.

- 7) The ACT Government engaged Electrix Pty Ltd to undertake the Streetlight Energy Performance Contract to reduce response times. The previous contract cable faults target was 30 days. The new contract has reduced this target to 15 days.

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By the Minister for Roads, Mr Chris Steel MLA