

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION 1413

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

1413. Mr P D Dexter (Cope) to ask the Minister of Energy:

Whether the proposed target of 875MW of electricity produced per annum through renewable energy will be reached by 2013; if not, how will she increase this amount? NW1652E

*Reply*

Yes, the proposed target will be reached. The Department is establishing the Independent System and Market Operator (ISMO) which will buy power from all Independent Power Producers (IPPs) including renewable energy IPPs. Moreover, the Regulator is putting together the procurement guidelines as prescribed in the Regulation on New Generation Capacity, 2009, which will enable the ISMO to procure power from renewable energy IPPs.

By the third quarter of 2010, the Integrated Resource Plan 2 will be completed and this will prescribe the target for renewable energy beyond 2013.