

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

QUESTION 874

QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY

874. Mr SC Motau (DA) to ask the Minister of Energy:

- (1) Whether a decision has been taken by Eskom to abandon the implementation and/or construction of the pebble-bed modular nuclear reactor; if not, why not; if so, what are the relevant details;
- (2) what has been the total cost of the project to the taxpayer since the date of inception up to the latest specified date for which information is available;
- (3) what does her department intend to do with the assets which have accrued to the project?

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Reply

- (1) Decisions regarding PBMR are taken by the Management of the PBMR Company and the Ministry and Department of Public Enterprises.
- (2) The total cost is about R9billion.
- (3) The PBMR company report to the Minister of Public Enterprises and decisions on what to do with the company's assets will be taken by the Minister of Public Enterprises in consultation with the Ministers of: Energy, Finance, Science and Technology and Trade and Industry.