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Dear Mr Knott

Thank you for your correspondence to WA Labor ahead of the State Election.

I appreciate the outlining of the AMMA's priorities and objectives.

WA Labor has a comprehensive, coordinated and realistic plan for the State that will help kick-start the economy, create new jobs, local manufacturing and better training opportunities. I truly believe the flow-on effects and our continued support for the resources industry will provide a positive future, and a buoyant and prosperous sector.

Details of our *Plan for Jobs* can be found at <https://www.markmcgowan.com.au/jobs>

WA Labor is also committed to retaining the currently budgeted funding for the Exploration Incentive Scheme to ensure future resources are identified.

## FIFO

WA Labor understands that Fly In Fly Out (FIFO) works well for many workers and their families. It can also be tough and lonely for vulnerable workers. It may be that the time spent away from loved ones exacerbates existing mental health concerns. People need to know that they can seek help if they are experiencing difficulties.

They also need to know there will be no consequence or risk to their employment if they reach out for help.

WA Labor believes it is important that we support the industry and the health of its FIFO workers, who are incredibly important to our community.

WA Labor also recognises the importance of FIFO workers to the mining industry and that FIFO is an integral part of our resources sector and is here to stay.

WA Labor believes that ultimately, it should be the choice of individual workers to choose the option that best suits their circumstances and needs at any particular time, subject to the availability of local housing.

## Mining Tax

I believe Western Australia can achieve a prosperous resources sector without the need for the job-destroying new tax proposed by the Nationals and I reiterate WA Labor's opposition to the Nationals' mining tax

## Renewable Energy

WA Labor is committed to maximising the opportunity for renewable energy in the WA electricity market while maintaining a mix of energy sources

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There needs to be a short review of the electricity market to set out the next steps in market evolution. The Energy Reform Taskforce did the hard work in market reform, but after four and half years of the Liberal Government, there has been no further market evolution.

This review would not be intended to canvas old ground, but rather set out a path to get the best out of the market that has been created. It is designed to fill the policy vacuum created by the inaction of the current and previous Ministers.

WA Labor will not approve any new uranium mines. However it will allow uranium mines already under construction or granted final State approval to open, operate and export their products, like other mining ventures.

I look forward to the opportunity for a McGowan Labor Government to discuss AMMA's objectives for WA's resources industry.

Best wishes for your future endeavours.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark McGowan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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