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Shining a light on undergrounding power

Five months on from Tropical Cyclone Marcus, and as Top End Territorians are encouraged to prepare for the forthcoming cyclone season by the likes of Darwin City Council with co-ordinated hard rubbish collection, it is time that Labor advises its much-lauded undergrounding power plan.

In Parliament this afternoon the Opposition asked:

- Which suburb is first in line for underground power,
- When will it commence and
- How was this decision made?

The Chief Minister failed to answer any aspects of this question.

Leader of the Opposition, Gary Higgins continued his call for a detailed, staged plan to underground power lines, commencing with the business suburbs of Darwin.

“In the current economic landscape, a staged approach could be a great stimulus for local employment and business.

“It was telling that the Chief Minister couldn’t answer my question about undergrounding power, because he doesn’t have a plan, instead he continues to mislead Territorians.

“Rather than tell Territorians of his plans to deliver his undergrounding power promise, the Chief Minister instead chose to blame the former government, despite now being in power for two years himself.

“I look forward to the Chief Minister’s answer to my very straight forward question,” said Mr Higgins.

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