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RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**Questions on Notice Paper No 4****Friday, 21 March 2025****Question No. 231****Mr. Rattenbury MLA:** To ask the Minister for Homes and New Suburbs

1. How many Housing ACT properties have just one gas appliance.
2. What considerations have been made to phasing out gas appliances, given that a single appliance would require the tenant to pay over \$300 a year in gas supply charges.
3. How and how often does Housing ACT undertake regular inspection and testing of gas appliances.

Yvette Berry MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

1. Approximately 1,500 Housing ACT properties have one gas appliance as of 31 December 2024.
2. While the primary focus of the *Home Energy Support: Public Housing Program* is on ceiling insulation, approximately 1,800 public housing properties are expected to be electrified by 2026, with over 880 properties upgraded as of 31 December 2024.

The ACT Government has made a further commitment through the Integrated Energy Plan to electrify all feasible public housing homes by 2030.

3. There is no requirement under the *Residential Tenancies Act 1997* to inspect/test gas appliances in the ACT. When tenants raise work requests, repairs and maintenance are completed by qualified contractors; this includes testing following installations or repair.



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