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Below is my input to why I feel that Ethanol should be Mandated.

I feel that the excise arrangements should be kept down to its minimum as it can be produced here in Australia much cheaper than having to import it.

We feel that a 2% mandate is not enough as it does not give confidence to manufacturers to invest. A 10% mandate would be much more suitable.

I feel that all sites should be included under the definition of liable parties.

The environment would greatly benefit from the use of ethanol and biofuel as it is made from waste products, bagasse, woodchip and banana waste and has no emissions hence giving us a healthy air to breath. I feel there is nil risks to the environment in an expanded biofuels industry.

Key messages for the consumers are Clean Air - Fuels cost less - better fuel consumption- environment friendly - increased sustainable employment.

By mandating it would signal farmers both grain and sugarcane to increase production and invest in the future.

There would be no distorting in drought time as the ethanol would be made from all waste products available at the time. Prices of the grains and sugar would not be effected as it is value adding.

The main action for the Government to take would be to ensure of a sensible mandate percentage - better transport pricing - millers to come on side hence give farmers incentive for value adding to their product.

Thanking you for the opportunity to submit my views.

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