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Project Manager – Queensland Biofuel Mandate Department of Energy and Water Supply

Dear Sir/Madam

Discussion Paper Submission 'Towards a clean energy economy: achieving a biofuel mandate for Queensland (2015)'

This submission is made by Ergon Energy Corporation Limited (**Ergon Energy**) in response to the discussion paper titled 'Towards a clean energy economy: achieving a biofuel mandate for Queensland' (**Discussion Paper**).

Ergon Energy is a Queensland Government-owned corporation that supplies electricity to approximately 700,000 customers across a vast operating area of over one million square kilometres – around 97% of Queensland. The use of both unleaded and diesel fuels are critical to Ergon Energy's operations. These fuels are used in generating electricity for remote communities, generating electricity during planned and emergency power outages and for operating fleet vehicles. The primary fuel used in these operations is diesel.

Ergon Energy is broadly supportive of the use of biofuels as outlined in the discussion paper. Due to the importance of diesel fuels in operating the electricity network, it is requested that Ergon Energy is consulted prior to establishing any targets (above zero) for biodiesel. This will be critical in helping to ensure that appropriate fuels are available for generating electricity for remote communities and for planned and emergency power outages.

Please contact me on to arrange any further consultation or if you would like any additional details on this submission.

Yours faithfully

Environmental Operations Manager

Ergon Energy