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Dear Sir/Madam

Below is our input as to why we feel that Ethanol should be Mandated.

1. We feel that the excise arrangements has to be kept to its lowest possible as it is not imported and produced here locally and is bought much cheaper - done by the cellulosic method (turning waste products into ethanol.)
2. We feel that a two percent mandate is not appropriate - It should be at least 10% over a 2-3 year period. This percentage will definitely give manufactures confidence to invest.
3. All sites that trade over a certain volume of fuel to be included.
4. There would be no managment risks as it is in practice already.
5. The Key messages that must be passed on to consumers is that it is for their own Good Health and Cleaner Environment Benefits as the Unleaded Fuel we are now using is highly cancerous.
6. There would be no fuel increase costs as it is a much cheaper renewable source.
7. The introduction of mandating would increase growers confidence and hence they would be prepared to increase their out put which is Value Adding to the Crop as it is made out of the waste (eg bagasse,timber industry waste and banana waste) more employment.
8. Australia needs a Renewable Fuel Industry to keep up with the rest of the world and help to protect the enviroment and hence Climate Change - and most important of all our own Fuel Security as we have now only 3 weeks reserve if we are lucky (eg hence Australia will come to a grinding halt) - which in turn will give us food security as we here in Australia have never had to starve due to war on our land.
9. By using Renewable Fuel it would illiminate the current problem of Carbon Burn Off in diesel motors as it is creating Fire Hazards on our roads and farms.
10. We feel that too much consulting with the public is unnecessary as in the past it was just done and we had no choice - eventhough it was of great expense to us - as it had bad affects on our machinery and health.

Thanking you for the opportunity to submit our views.

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