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Research Director
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Dear Research Director

Submission to the Agriculture, Resources and Environment Parliamentary Committee on the Waste Reduction and Recycling and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2012

Origin Energy would like to register its support of the pragmatic approach of the Queensland Government in honouring its commitment to reducing cumbersome red tape and costs on the waste industry and the wider community.

Origin Energy particularly applauds the repeal of the Waste Levy and hopes that this signals a more proactive approach in moving towards a resource recovery model to drive behaviours that will see meaningful progress in overall waste reduction within the State of Queensland.

Additionally the extension of the timeframe by which local governments and state entities are required to prepare and report on waste reduction and recycling plans is a logical step to ensure alignment with the Queensland Waste Strategy that is currently being developed by the Ministers Waste Forum which Origin remains an active, committed and enthusiastic participant.

Therefore Origin Energy raises no concerns or objections to the bill.

Origin Energy would like encourage further reforms within the Waste Industry and the legislation that governs these activities in particular with reference to Regulated Waste which is causing perverse outcomes within our wider industry.

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Approvals, Land and Stakeholders

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