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## Dear Rob,

Thank you for this opportunity to make comment on the inquiry into Energy Efficiency Improvements.

HOPE has always felt that government and industry should spend more time, effort and money on educating all electricity users about ways and means to improve energy efficiency and energy conservation.

In the first instance, government needs to mandate through legislation the energy ratings of all buildings, equipment, appliances and vehicles.

Secondly, as most of the energy consumption occurs in electricity generation (29%), manufacturing (24%) and transport (24%) the government should introduce policy, legislation and incentive programs to improve energy efficiency of all processes and equipment / appliances used in these industries.

I believe that the residential sector is certainly playing its part in reducing the demand for electricity through good conservation practices and by upgrading / renovating their houses and electrical appliances.

HOPE would like to see the EcoBiz program expanded (and funded) to assist businesses across all sectors achieve similar results as to those by Queensland Complete Printing Services.

In regards to transport, HOPE firmly believes that as a priority the government should mandate that all bulk freight be transported by rail, with large trucks used only from transport hubs to drop off points.

Yours sincerely,

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