

Australian Hydrogen Council welcomes tri-state MoU for hydrogen highways

Melbourne, Australia: New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland have today announced a landmark tri-state collaboration on a renewable hydrogen refuelling network for heavy transport and logistics along Australia's eastern seaboard. The refuelling will start with \$20 million support from the NSW and Victorian government to build at least four renewable hydrogen refuelling stations between Sydney and Melbourne.

Australian Hydrogen Council (AHC) CEO Dr Fiona Simon made the following statements:

"On behalf of the Australian Hydrogen Council, I would like to welcome this exciting announcement from the three governments for their investment in hydrogen transport.

"The collaboration between these three states will facilitate the uptake and use of hydrogen as a fuel for heavy transport along the Eastern highways.

"This delivers the next phase of the three governments' hydrogen strategies and is a terrific example of the cross-jurisdictional efforts we need to see to grow the industry for Australia. It is also consistent with the AHC's recommendations to governments in its <u>White Paper</u> where we asked for refuelling stations on the Hume and government support to get hydrogen trucks on the road.

"Transport operators and vehicle manufacturers see the carbon reduction potential in using hydrogen but there has been a number of barriers including a lack of refuelling infrastructure. Today's announcement will help them move one step closer to transitioning to lower emissions fleets.

"We know this announcement is the result of months of hard work and coordination, as well as terrific engagement with industry to consider options and map next steps.

"The AHC looks forward to working with the states and the transport industry to see this important initiative take shape," Simon concluded.

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About Australian Hydrogen Council

The Australian Hydrogen Council is the peak representative body for the Australian hydrogen industry. Members include Air Liquide, Aluminium Revolutionary Chassis Company, Ampol, ANZ Banking Group, APA Group, Arup, Arthur Phillips Pty Ltd, ATCO, Ark Energy, Aurecon, AusNet Services/Mondo, Australian Gas Infrastructure Group, AVEVA, Baker Hughes, BLK Auto, Bloom Energy, BOC, BP, Chart Industries, CIP Aus Pty Ltd, Countrywide Renewable Hydrogen, CEJN, Coregas, CS Energy, Cummins South Pacific, Clough, Daimler, Downer, Edify Energy, Emerson, Endeavour Petroleum, ENEA consulting, ENEOS Corporation, Engie, Energys, EQUIS, Fortescue Metals Group, Foton Mobility, GeelongPort, GHD, Global Energy Ventures, H2U, Haskel, Hazer, HDF Energy, Honeywell, Horizon Power, Howden, Hyundai Australia, ITM Power, ITOCHU Australia Ltd, Jacobs, Jerrara Power & Fichtner Australia, Jemena, John Cockerill Energy, KBR, Lochard Energy, Luxfer Australia, National Australia Bank, Nel, Norton Rose Fulbright, Marnco Pty Ltd, Origin Energy, Oli Capital, Quanta Services Australia, S&P Global Platts, Samson, SG Fleet, Siemens, Silver Metal Investment, SMA Australia, Southern Green Gas, Stanwell, Star Scientific, Sparc Technologies, Sumitomo Australia Pty Ltd, TfA Project Group, Total Eren, Toyota Australia, Transit Systems, TYMLEZ, UL International Australia, UPC\AC Renewables Australia, Valmec, Viva Energy, Weidmüller, Wesfarmers Chemicals, WSP Australia Pty Ltd, Wood, Woodside, Worley.

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