Dear Madam/Sir

I am a strong supporter of the introduction of mandatory emissions standards for all vehicles. I have the following suggestions:

1. Given Australia is a small market with very high vehicle costs, we should match the standards of one of the major markets so as to minimize the additional cost to vehicles. For example, the EU or California could provide good models for us. I don’t think the US federal standard is as good a model because it tends to lag California and be subject to energy company political pressure.

2. Other vehicle emissions standards should be updated and also made to match those of whichever market regulations we chose to follow for CO2 emissions.

3. I suggest refuelling emission capture devices attached to fuel pumps (such as those used in California) also be phased in. They dramatically reduce VOC emissions during refuelling, which is good for health, safety and air pollution.

Best regards,

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