

## Media Release

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## **GEA Lays Path for a Cleaner, More Versatile and Efficient Energy Solution for Today - LPG**

Gas Energy Australia is proud to announce the release of its Vision for Stationary Energy Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG). The Vision outlines the ability of the growing availability of LPG to meet the current environmental challenges in the energy market and a strategy to enhance its place in Australia's energy mix.

Gas Energy Australia's CEO, John Griffiths said "Australia is tackling multiple challenges with increasing energy demand, near total dependence on foreign fuels and growing concerns about the environment. As a cleaner, cheaper and available Australian source of energy, LPG has the potential to play a vital role in addressing these issues."

The Vision highlights the numerous applications of LPG in the stationary energy sector including home and water heating, recreational use and powering industries including agriculture and manufacturing. In addition, LPG produces significantly less CO<sub>2</sub>, particulates and other pollutants compared with conventional fuels currently used in Australia.

"Part of the challenge is that governments and the community aren't aware of the many uses and benefits of LPG. This has led to policies which disadvantage LPG such as the Australian Renewable Energy Agency (ARENA) grants program and the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme that subsidise other energy technologies."

"Our Vision's 10 Point Action Plan will guide GEA's future work in ensuring LPG can continue to meet the needs of communities, improve Australia's energy security and contribute to Australian governments' environmental and air quality objectives. This will involve engaging with the community and key politicians about the important role LPG can play in energy policies," Mr Griffiths said.

"We are hopeful that our work will enable the LPG industry to contribute to a cleaner and more secure energy mix for Australia."

Copies of the Vision document will be made available at the upcoming World LPG Association Oceania Regional Summit on 17 and 18 May 2016 and it can also be viewed at this link.

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