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NSW Environment Protection Authority
EPA Chief Executive Officer
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Attention: Tony Chappel

Dear Tony,

Letter of Support, NSW EPA Draft Climate Change Policy and Action Plan

Idemitsu Australia (IA) supports a measured transition to a net-zero emissions global economy and Australia's participation in global agreements, including the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. IA supports the NSW Government's target of reaching net-zero emissions by 2050. IA supports the submission and recommendations made by the NSW Minerals Council on behalf of its members and the coal mining industry on November 3, 2022.

Of particular concern is the proposed mandate for Tier 4 diesel engines for all purchase from 2023. IA is strongly opposed to the proposed action to mandate the purchase of Tier 4 diesel equipment at coal mines from 2023. The proposed action is prescriptive, contrasts with the EPA's outcomes-based regulatory approach and may have unintended consequences from a climate perspective.

In addition to the above point, The Draft NSW Climate Change Policy and Action Plan does not address carbon credit rules in regard to land that is currently allocated as offsets and rehabilitated land (under Environmental Licences) that is capturing and reducing carbon (into perpetuity), but currently cannot be recognised or credited.

Idemitsu Australia looks forward to the EPA's staged, iterative approach, working in partnership with all stakeholders to transition to a net-zero emissions global economy.

Yours sincerely,



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