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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Consultation regarding the Energy White Paper

The Facility Management Association of Australia (FMA) would like to applaud the government on its initiative to introduce reform to the energy sector. As the peak industry body that represents and supports the professionals, teams and organisations that manage, maintain and operate Australia's built environment, it is encouraging to see the government address a matter which affects the performance and efficiency of our built environment.

According to our 2012/13 Facilities Management Industry Census, reducing the costs of facilities management services is a top 2 priority. As energy costs have been identified as contributing a large proportion of this to the total costs of facilities management services, the development and findings of the Energy White Paper has a significant level of importance to the industry.

As facility management professionals are responsible for the management of facilities' energy consumption and efficiency, input from these stakeholder would provide insight from professional end users which manage the energy of facilities on a day-to-day basis.

As the peak industry body that represents facility management professionals, the FMA would look forward to working with the government to coordinate input from the facilities management industry for the advancement of the Energy White Paper.

To discuss further in detail, please do not hesitate to contact our National Policy Coordinator, John Casey, on (03) 8641 6601 or johnc@fma.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

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