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Minister for Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development
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Leader of the House

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Cr Geoff Lake
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Dear Cr Lake

Thank you for your letter dated 18 September 2009 about Resolution 14 from the 2009 National General Assembly (NGA) of Local Government.

Renewable energy is an essential part of Australia's low emissions energy mix and is important to Australia's energy security. Australian Government support for renewable energy assists industry development, reduces barriers to the national electricity market, and provides community access to renewable energy.

The Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG) is an important mechanism for local governments to contribute to issues of national significance that affect local communities. In response to your request to involve the ACLG, I see merit in discussing the issue of renewable energy at a future meeting of the ACLG Steering Committee. Please feel free to discuss the matter further with my office.

Thank you for raising this matter.

Yours sincerely

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