

## APPENDIX 4

### List of Past Inquiries and Reports

The following is a list of past inquiries and reports into the petroleum industry and petrol pricing over the last 30 years. It is not an exhaustive list. The reports are listed according to whether they were prepared at either the commonwealth, or state and territory levels.

#### Commonwealth

Royal Commission on Petroleum report No. 4, *The Marketing and Pricing of Petroleum Products in Australia*, 1976.

Royal Commission on Petroleum report No. 6, *The Use of Liquefied Petroleum Gas in Australia*, 1976.

Senate Standing Committee on National Resources report, *Replacement of Petrol by Alternative Sources of Energy*, 18 September 1980.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Inquiry in Relation to the Supply of Petroleum Products*, 25 July 1984.

Joint Committee of Public Accounts, *Excise and Deferred Customs Duties*, Report No. 224 of 1985, 1985.

Industries Assistance Commission, *Certain Petroleum Products – Taxation Measures*, Report No. 397, 5 November 1986.

Auditor-General, *Report of an Efficiency Scrutiny – Diesel Fuel Rebate Scheme*, March 1987.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Inquiry in relation to the supply of petrol in the ACT*, 4 December 1987.

Trade Practices Commission, *Study into Market Practices and Government Regulation in the Petroleum Industry*, 1988.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Inquiry into Petroleum Product Prices*, 20 December 1989.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Review of LPG Pricing*, 30 June 1990.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *National Inquiry into Petroleum Product Prices*, 8 November 1990.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Inquiry into Tasmanian Petrol Prices*, 8 November 1990.

Auditor-General, *Australian Customs Service – Diesel Fuel Rebate Scheme*, Audit Report No. 27 of 1990-91, 1991.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Report to Government on the Recommendations of the Caucus Special Committee of Inquiry (the Wright Committee) into Aspects of the Australian Petroleum Industry*, 28 October 1991.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Regional Study of Petrol, Distillate and LPG Prices in Mildura*, 9 December 1991.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *LPG Pricing in Western Australia*, 15 May 1992.

Industry Commission, *Petroleum Products*, Report No. 40, 5 July 1994.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *LPG Pricing in Tasmania*, 7 July 1994.

Prices Surveillance Authority, *Inquiry into the LPG Declaration in Western Australia*, 30 December 1994.

ACCC, *Inquiry into the petroleum products declaration*, 31 August 1996.

Australian National Audit Office, *Diesel Fuel Rebate Scheme: Australian Customs Service*, Report No. 20 of 1995-96, 1996.

ACCC, *Autogas Pricing in Geelong*, 16 December 1997.

ACCC, *Victorian LPG Autogas Prices*, 9 October 1998.

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee report, *Provisions of the Petroleum Retail Legislation Repeal Bill 1998*, 29 June 1999.

ACCC, *Review of LPG Autogas Prices and LPG Cylinder Prices in Western Australia*, 7 September 1999.

ACCC, *Increase in the average retail petrol prices in Australia compared with the rise in international prices*, 31 October 1999.

Senate Economics Legislation Committee report, *Consideration of Diesel and Alternative Fuels Grants Scheme (Administration and Compliance) Bill 1999*, 30 November 1999.

Senate Economics Legislation Committee report, *Consideration of Petroleum Excise Amendment (Measures to Address Evasion) Bill 2000*, August 2000.

Senate Economics References Committee report, *Inquiry into the provisions of the Fair Prices and Better Access for All (Petroleum) Bill 1999 and the practice of multi-site franchising by oil companies*, 8 March 2001.

ACCC, *Report on the movement in fuel prices in the September Quarter 2000*, October 2000.

ACCC, *Reducing fuel price variability*, ACCC Publishing Unit, December 2001.

Commonwealth of Australia, *Fuel Tax Inquiry Report*, Pirie Printers Pty Ltd, March 2002.

ACCC, *Terminal gate pricing arrangements in Australia and other fuel pricing arrangements in Western Australia*, December 2002.

Senate Environment, Communications, Information Technology and the Arts Legislation Committee report, *Provisions of the Fuel Quality Standards Amendment Bill 2003*, 28 October 2003.

ACCC, *Assessing shopper docket petrol discounts and acquisitions in the petrol and grocery sectors*, February 2004.

ACCC, *Understanding petrol pricing in Australia* (booklet or brochure), August 2005.

Senate Economics Legislation Committee, *Inquiry into the provisions of the Petroleum Retail Legislation Repeal Bill 2006*, 11 May 2006.

Senate Economics Legislation Committee, *Inquiry into the provisions of the Fuel Tax Bill 2006 and the Fuel Tax (Consequential and Transitional Provisions) Bill 2006*, 14 June 2006.

ACCC, *An overview of the Oilcode for fuel resellers*, ACCC Publishing Unit, November 2006.

ACCC, *Guide to the Oilcode – Information for industry participants in the downstream petroleum retail industry*, ACCC Publishing Unit, November 2006.

## **State and Territory**

*ACT Government Working Group on Petrol Prices*, 1992.

Victorian Coalition Backbench Committee, *Discussion Paper on the Disparity between Country and Metropolitan Fuel Prices*, 1993.

*Commission of Inquiry into Petrol Prices in Rural New South Wales*, 1995.

*Tasmanian Legislative Council Select Committee on Petrol Pricing*, 1995.

ACT Legislative Assembly Select Committee *Inquiry into Petrol Prices in the ACT*, 1997

NSW Department of Fair Trading, *Inquiry into Petrol Price Signs*, 1999.

Australian Centre for Co-operative Research and Development, *Development of Co-operative-Type Structures for Lowering Petrol Prices in Rural New South Wales*, December 1999.

Western Research Institute, *Enhancing Competition in the Petroleum Industry - The Role of Co-Operatives*, December 1999.

Select Committee on Pricing of Petroleum Products, *Getting a fair deal for Western Australian motorists*, State Law Publisher, 12 October 2000.

Economic Development Committee, *Inquiry into the impact of the Goods and Services Tax in Victoria*, 30 April 2001, Chapter 4 – Fuel Prices.

Northern Territory Government, *Inquiry into fuel prices in the Northern Territory*, May 2005.

Legislative Assembly of Queensland, *Inquiry into petrol pricing in Queensland*, April 2006.

Consumer Affairs Victoria, *Report on Automotive Fuel Prices in Victoria*, January 2003 to April 2006, May 2006.

The South Australian Parliament's *Select Committee on the Pricing, Refining, Storage and Supply of Fuel in South Australia* tabled an interim report in late 2006 and intends on releasing a further report at a date to be determined, as at 5 December 2006. For further information, refer to the Committee's website (December 2006): <http://www.parliament.sa.gov.au/committees/select/lc/51/pricingrefiningstorageandsupplyoffuelinsouthaustralia>

