

Dear TaxForum,

I would like to make a submission about LPG and Australia's fuel security.

The bulk of Australia's vehicle fuel is currently imported. It would seem that we are heading into a very exposed situation with the impending shortfall of global oil supplies.

It makes no sense whatsoever for the Australian government to be winding back its subsidy for vehicle LPG installation and planning to raise the tax on LPG when what is required is a major program encouraging both private vehicle owners and fleets to switch to locally sourced LPG, so that when the crunch comes we will already be some way towards solving the problem.

If we go on as we are there will be chaos for Australian motorists when Peak Oil hits and if the supermarket shelves are empty because the delivery trucks are on half rations the rage wont be confined to the roads.

It is true that escalating oil prices will generate huge windfalls for the oil companies, but just occasionally it would be good to see an Australian government try to stand up to them.

yours sincerely

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