Report to Parliament

Trade and Investment Mission to Japan

13 – 18 November 2016



The Honourable Annastacia Palaszczuk MP Premier of Queensland and Minister for the Arts

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Time in bold indicates local time

Time in normal font indicates Brisbane time

Time Differences
Japan 1 hour behind Brisbane

Sunday, 13 November 2016 – Brisbane / Tokyo	
8:00am	Check in at Brisbane International Airport
9:50am	Depart Brisbane for Tokyo Qantas Flight QF61
6:00pm 7:00pm	Arrive Tokyo – Narita International Airport Met airside by Mr Andrew Muratore, Second Secretary – Political, DFAT Met in arrivals by TIQ Commission Mr Tak Adachi
6:45pm 7:45pm	Transfer to hotel
8:15pm 9:15pm	Arrive at Imperial Hotel 1-1 Uchisaiwai-Cho 1-Chome, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo Tel: +81 3 3504 1111
pm pm	Dinner – own arrangements
overnight	Imperial Hotel

Monday, 14 November 2016 – Tokyo / Kyoto		
7:00am 8:00am	Breakfast- own arrangements	
7:30am 8:30am	Brisbane Liaison time	
8:00am 9:00am	Check out of hotel	
8:15am 9:15am	Depart hotel for Shinagawa Train Station	
8:45am 9:45am	Arrive at Shinagawa Train Station Met by Mr Daiji Takashima, Senior Business Development Manager, TIQ Japan	
9:07am 10:07am	Depart for Kyoto Bullet Train Nozomi 213	
	Private briefing on bullet train	
11:17am 12:17pm	Arrive Kyoto Met by Mr Tetsuya Katayama, Kyoto Government	
11:30am 12:30pm	Travel to lunch	
12:00noon 1:00pm	Witness the signing of the Statement of Intent and lunch with the Kyoto Vice Governor and the Kyoto Board of Education Venue: Kyoto Brighten Hotel, Nakadachuiuri Shinmachi-dori, Kamigyo-ku, Kyoto	
1:30pm 2:30pm	Travel to hotel	
2:00pm 3:00pm	Arrive at Westin Miyako Hotel Kyoto 1 Awataguchi Kachocho, Higashiyama-ku, Kyoto 605-0052, Japan Tel: +81 75 771 7111	
3:30pm 4:30pm	Brisbane liaison time	
6:30pm 7:30pm	Travel to dinner	

Monday, 14 November 2016 – Tokyo / Kyoto	
7:00pm 8:00pm	Dinner with Sumitomo Electric Industries Venue: Sekison-tei, Shimogamo, Kyoto
9:00pm 10:00pm	Travel to Hotel
overnight	Westin Miyako Hotel Kyoto

Tuesday, 15 November 2016 – Kyoto/ Hiroshima		
7:00am 8:00am	Breakfast– own arrangements	
7:30am 8:30am	Brisbane Liaison time	
8:15am 9:15am	Check out of hotel	
8:30am 9:30am	Depart hotel for train station	
9:00am 10:00am	Arrive train station	
9:13am 10:13am	Depart Kyoto for Hiroshima Bullet train Nozomi 7	
10:55am 11:55pm	Arrive Hiroshima station Met by Mr Hiroshi Yamamoto, Hiroshima Government	
11:15am 12:15pm	Travel to next meeting by car	
11:30am 12:30pm	Meeting with the Hiroshima Governor, Mr Hidehiko Yuzaki Venue: Hiroshima Governor Office, 10-52 Motomachi, Naka- ku, Hiroshima	
11:50am 12:50pm	Travel to next meeting	

12:00noon 1:00pm	Witness the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Hiroshima Board of Education including lunch
	Venue: Restaurant Serenade, International Conference Centre Hiroshima, 1-5 Nakajima-cho Naka-ku, Hiroshima-shi, (Inside Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park)
12:40pm 1:40pm	Walk to the Memorial Cenotaph
12:50pm 1:50pm	Visit to Hiroshima Peace Memorial to lay memorial wreath and sign the guest book
	Venue: Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum, 1-2 Nakajimama- cho, Naka-ku, Hiroshima City 730-0811
1:15pm 2:15pm	Travel to JFE Steel
3:00pm 4:00pm	Site visit to JFE Steel Fukuyama steel works with Member of Board and Executive Vice President, Mr Hiromu Oka and Mr Hiroyuki Ogawa, Vice President, General Superintendent, West Japan Works – Fukuyama, JFE Steel
	Venue: JFE Steel Fukuyama Steel Works, 1 Kokan-cho, Fukuyama 721-8510
4:30pm 5:30pm	Travel to hotel
5:00pm 6:00pm	Arrive at Fukuyama New Castle Hotel 8-16 Sannnomaru-cho, Fukuyama, Hiroshima Tel: +81 84 922 2121
6:30pm 7:30pm	Depart hotel for dinner
7:00pm 8:00pm	Dinner hosted by JFE Steel – Mr Hiromu Oka, Member of the Board and Executive Vice President, JFE Steel Corporation
	Venue: Miyako Kausuga Restaurant, 2-2-43 Kasugachou, Fukuyama, Hiroshima
9:00pm 10:00pm	Return to hotel
Overnight	Fukuyama New Castle Hotel

Wednesday, 16 November 2016 – Hiroshima / Kawasaki / Tokyo		
am	Breakfast- own arrangements	
7:15am 8:15am	Check out of hotel	
7:30am 8:30am	Depart hotel for airport and Brisbane Liaison time	
8:30am 9:30am	Arrive at Hiroshima Airport	
9:25am 10:25am	Depart Hiroshima for Haneda International Airport All Nippon Airways Flight No ANA674	
10:45am 11:45am	Arrive Haneda International Airport, Tokyo	
11:00am 12:00noon	Travel to next meeting	
11:20am 12:20pm	Briefing of integrated railway and commercial developments by the Kawasaki Deputy Mayor, Mr Atsushi Miura Venue: Level 12 Kawasaki Frontier Building, Ekimae Honcho 11-2, Kawasaki-ku, Kawasaki-shi	
11:45am 12:45pm	Travel to next meeting	
12:45pm 1:45pm	Office opening and lunch with Cutting Edge Japan Venue: Cutting Edge Office, Alome Akasaka 4F/5F, 2-21-12 Akasaka Minato-ku Tokyo 107-0052	
2:15pm 3:15pm	Travel to next meeting	
2:30pm 3:30pm	Renewing MOU with Mr Keisuke Kuroki, President of Japan Oil Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC) and Mr Koichi Hamano, Executive Vice President, JOGMEC and obtain a briefing on Japanese clean coal technology Venue: JOGMEC Head office, Toranomon Twin Building 2-10-1 Toranomon, Minato-ku, Tokyo	
3:15pm 4:15pm	Travel to hotel	

Wednesday, 16 November 2016 – Hiroshima / Kawasaki / Tokyo		
3:30pm 4:30pm	Arrive at Imperial Hotel 1-1 Uchisaiwai-Cho 1-Chome, Chiyoda-Ku, Tokyo Tel: +81 3 3504 1111	
	Refresh	
4:00pm 5:00pm	Meeting with Oji Fibre Solutions	
	Venue: Level 17, Imperial Hotel Tokyo	
4:30pm 5:30pm	Refresh	
5:00pm 6:00pm	Travel to next meeting	
6:00pm 7:00pm	Deliver a short speech at the 25 th Anniversary of the Japan Association of Overseas Studies (JAOS)	
	Venue: Keio Plaza Hotel, Level 5, Conrad Ballroom, 2-2-1 Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-Ku, Tokyo, 160-8330 Japan	
7:00pm 8:00pm	Travel to next meeting	
7:30pm 8:30pm	Queensland Government and Tourism and Events Queensland Dinner for the Japanese Tourism Industry	
	Venue: La Rochelle Restaurant, Tokyu Capital Tower 1F, 2-10-3 Nagatacho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo	
9:30pm 10:30pm	Return to hotel	
Overnight	Imperial Hotel	

Thursday, 17 November 2016 – Tokyo		
7:00am 8:00am	Breakfast – own arrangements	
7:30am 8:30am	Brisbane Liaison time	
9:30am 10:30am	Depart hotel for meeting	
10:00am 11:00am	Meeting and witnessing the MOU signing with Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education	
	Venue: Level 37, Tokyo Metropolitan Government No 1 Bldg, 2-8-1 Nishishinjuku, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo	
10:30am 11:30am	Move into reception room Liaison time	
11:00am 12:00noon	Meeting with the Tokyo Governor Ms Yuriko Koike Venue: Tokyo Metropolitan Government, 8-1 Nishi-Shinjuku 2- chome, Shinjuku-ku, Tokyo	
11:30am 12:00noon	Travel to next meeting	
12:00noon 1:00pm	Lunch and ceremonial signing of the Proof of Concept contract with SoftBank Corporation Venue: SoftBank Corporation Global Headquarters, Tokyo Shiodome Building,1-9-1 Higashi Shinbashi, Minato-ku	
1:00pm 2:00pm	Depart for next meeting	
1:30pm 2:30pm	Infrastructure Investment Seminar with Japan's peak body for infrastructure investment The Association for Real Estate Securitization (ARES) and the world's largest pension fund, Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) Venue: The Kaiun Club, 2-6-4 Hirakawacho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo	
1:50pm 2:50pm	Travel to supermarket	
2:00pm 3:00pm	Site visit to view Queensland produce in Japanese supermarket – Peacock Store	
	Venue: Mita Isarago Peacock Store, 1F Conforia Mita Isaragosaka,	

	4-9-7 Mita, Minato-ku Tokyo
2:30pm 3:30pm	Depart for Hotel
2:45pm 3:45pm	Arrive at Hotel
3:45pm 4:45pm	Check out of hotel
4:00pm 5:00pm	Depart hotel for Narita International Airport Travel time: 1hr 30mins
5:30pm 6:30pm	Arrive Narita International Airport
7:30pm 8:30pm	Depart Tokyo for Brisbane Qantas Flight QF62 Travel time: 9hrs 10mins
Overnight	In transit

Friday, 18 Novembe	er 2016 - Brisbane
5:40am	Arrive Brisbane International Airport

Official Delegation Members

The Honourable Premier of Queensland and **Annastacia Palaszczuk MP** Minister for the Arts **Mr David Stewart** Director-General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet Mr Tak Adachi Trade and Investment Commissioner - Japan, Trade and Investment Queensland Mr Tim Linley Principal Policy Officer Office of the Premier **Ms Susan McGrady Press Secretary** Office of the Premier Protocol Officer, Protocol Queensland, **Ms Emily Kerekes** Department of the Premier and Cabinet **Senior Constable Adam** Queensland Police Service **Pendlebury**

Briefing by Central Japan Railway Company

Date: Monday, 14 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Torkel PATTERSON Board Member, Central Japan Railway Company

Mr Shohei YOSHIDA Representative, Sydney Office, Central Japan

Railway Company

Ms YAMANE Central Japan Railway Company

Meeting Summary:

The Central Japan Railway Company provided a briefing on the Shinkansen bullet train and importantly the development of Central Japan Railway Company's business model. The discussion included detail on the population, investment and value uplift in the areas around new high speed rail stations, the development of integrated station and commercial developments at key locations and the ability for urban regeneration.

Some of the developments reflected on opportunities that could be explored for Brisbane's Cross River Rail Project. There was also a discussion on emerging railway technology. The Director General, Department of the Premier and Cabinet also received an exclusive viewing of the bullet train cockpit, the right of way and the in-cabin signalling system. The Shinkansen has unlocked economic growth, increased employment growth and per capita incomes in regions with high speed rail stations.

The Shinkansen has also not recorded a fatality or injury since commencing in 1964 having safely transported 5.6 billion people on the Tokaido Shinkansen which links Tokyo, Nagoya and Osaka.

The Japan Railway Company are engaging with the Federal Government around opportunities for high speed rail in Australia.

Date: Monday, 14 November 2016

Attendees:

His Excellency Mr Shuichi YAMAUCHI Vice Governor, Kyoto Prefecture

Mr Toshikatsu UEDA Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor

Mr Kazuo TAKAHASHI Managing Director, International Division,

Kyoto Prefectural Government

Mr Tsutomu ODAGAKI Superintendent, Kyoto Prefectural Board of

Education

Mr Satoshi KAWAMURA Managing Director, Guidance Department,

Kyoto Prefectural Board of Education

Mr Koichi YAMAMOTO Director, High School Division, Kyoto

Prefectural Board of Education

Meeting Summary:

This lunch provided the opportunity to strengthen the relationship between Queensland and Kyoto.

The Statement of Intent (SOI) between the Kyoto Prefectural Board of Education (BoE) and the Queensland Department of Education and Training was signed by the Kyoto Prefecture Board of Education. This SOI will foster long term, mutually beneficial collaborations in education between Queensland and Kyoto.

The Premier was able to express her thanks for the enthusiastic support of the Kyoto Prefecture in hosting the inaugural group of 11 Queensland students undertaking a science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) focussed study tour in December 2016.

The inaugural STEM Study Tour to Kyoto and Hiroshima involves 11 high performing Queensland STEM and Japanese language students who would not normally have the opportunity to participate in an international study tour. They will have an opportunity to experience the real-world importance of STEM and partnerships between schools and industry within the context of an advanced knowledge-driven economy like Japan.

Students visiting Kyoto and Hiroshima in December 2016 represent the following schools:

- Warwick State High School
- Victoria Point State High School (student and teacher/chaperone)
- Trinity Bay State High School (student and teacher/chaperone)
- Townsville State High School
- Springfield Central State High School
- Mirani State High School
- Miami State High School
- Kirwan State High School
- Kingarov State High School (two students)
- Cleveland District State High School

The lunch also allowed the Premier and Vice Governor to discuss sustainable tourist and student attraction strategies with one of the most popular cities in the world for inbound tourism and the most popular student city in Japan for international students.

The meeting gave the Premier the opportunity to extend an invitation to the Vice Governor as well as Governor Yamada to visit Queensland to see firsthand the opportunities for future collaboration between Queensland and Kyoto.

The Premier also extended an invitation for representatives of Kyoto schools to come to Queensland to attend the World Science Festival Brisbane – 22-26 March 2017.

The Premier gained valuable insights as to how Kyoto has transformed into an innovation hub and how Queensland and Kyoto could partner to enhance interaction amongst our states' creators, investors, entrepreneurs, ventures and start-ups.

Japan and Australia have a current strategic focus on enhancing international education.

Both countries are seeking to increase the number of their students studying abroad and to attract more international students to study at their universities.

The Japanese Government is aiming to double the number of Japanese students studying abroad by 2020, the year of the Tokyo Summer Olympic and Paralympic Games. It aims to double the number of university students studying abroad from 60,000 in 2013 to 120,000 and the number of high school students from 30,000 in 2013 to 60,000.

Kyoto Prefecture is committed to accelerating the globalisation of their high school students through A\$3.2M funding on various projects including the 'Kyoto Prefectural Overseas Satellite School' project. Prefectural level initiatives like those undertaken by Kyoto Prefectural Government are critically important to achieving this target.

After initial agreement in 2015, Queensland welcomed the first student from Kyoto on the 'Overseas Satellite School' project in January 2016 for a term abroad program. Seven more students from Kyoto Prefecture are expected to visit government schools in Queensland in January 2017, with this number expected to continue to grow.

Australia continues to be a top destination country for international students from Japan due to the reputation of Australian institutions, the quality of teaching/research and personal safety.

The Queensland Government will commit \$25.3M over the next five years to support one of Queensland's most promising export industries - its world-class international education and training industry. The \$25.3M investment will deliver a new, whole-of-government *International Education and Training Strategy to Advance Queensland 2016-2026*, which will explore innovative marketing campaigns, targeted trade missions and ways to significantly enhance the student experience.

Dinner with Sumitomo Electric Industries

Date: Monday, 14 November 2016

Attendees

Dr Junji ITOH Managing Director, General Manager, R&D Unit

General Manager, New Business Frontier R&D Laboratories,

Sumitomo Electric Industries

Mr Kikaku Tokumaru Executive Officer, General Manager, Infrastructure Business

Promotion Division, Sumitomo Electric Industries

Mr Ray Inasaka Senior Assistant General Manager, Power System R&D

Centre, Project Planning and Promoting Group, Sumitomo

Electric Industries

Professor Arun Sharma Deputy Vice Chancellor, Research & Commercialisation,

Queensland University of Technology

Meeting Summary:

The dinner provided the Premier with the opportunity to congratulate both Sumitomo Electric Industries (SEI) and QUT on their agreement to undertake a trial of a concentrated photovoltaic solar solution, which has the potential to significantly contribute to Queensland's renewable energy target. The Premier also noted that SEI's solar and energy storage and management systems have the potential to provide a transformative solution to the states regional communities.

The Premier thanked SEI for their commitment to QUT and Queensland. SEI, like many Japanese companies, has traditionally focused on building relationships with American Ivy League institutions. However, after an initial introduction by TIQ Japan, senior representatives of SEI were highly impressed with QUT's experience and track record of working with the private sector for commercial outcomes.

Professor Sharma noted that there was great potential for the relationship between QUT and Sumitomo to not only contribute to regional off-grid communities, but also to drive energy management innovation in other sectors such as mining and urban development.

Other state governments have been actively approaching SEI to undertake projects in their state. SEI has shown significant commitment to Queensland.

The Premier also shared the Government's focus on driving innovation for the State, as SEI is keen to undertake knowledge sharing with its local partners to assist in the development of an innovative local industry. This aligns well with the Advance Queensland strategy.

The Premier extended an invitation to Dr Itoh to Queensland to the Advance Queensland Innovation and Investment Summit from 29-31 March 2017.

Meeting with the Governor of Hiroshima

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Attendees:

His Excellency Mr Hidehiko YUZAKI

Governor of Hiroshima Prefecture

Meeting Summary:

This meeting strengthened the relationship with one of Japan's most progressive governors and encouraged collaborations to drive innovation in Queensland and Hiroshima.

The Premier gained further understanding of the potential for closer collaboration with Hiroshima Prefecture beyond the current educational partnership through the Governor's ambitious Hiroshima Future Challenge Vision and the Queensland Government's Advance Queensland strategy.

Governor Yuzaki spoke about building the first full boarding, public International Baccalaureate School in Japan, a central educational initiative he has been leading. He expressed an interest in knowing about teacher training opportunities in Queensland for upskilling Hiroshima teachers capable of teaching the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program.

The Premier noted that the advancement of STEM subjects is a shared focus with Hiroshima, and encouraged the Governor to send students to visit Queensland for the World Science Festival in Brisbane in 2017.

As it was Governor Yuzaki who instructed his Board of Education to work closely with Queensland, the Premier thanked Governor Yazaki for his support and vision. As well as thanking him for his regions support in hosting Queensland STEM students in December 2016. The students will be hosted by Kokutaiji High School, one of the four outstanding Hiroshima schools that participated in the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair 2016 in Phoenix, Arizona, where 1,700 students from 75 countries competed in their project-based research. Four STEM high school student teams in Hiroshima took part in the Fair, more than any other Prefecture in Japan.

The Premier extended an invitation to Governor Yuzaki to visit Queensland to see firsthand the opportunities for future collaboration between Queensland and Hiroshima.

With Governor Yuzaki being a strong advocate for the promotion of women, the Premier provided an overview of Advance Queensland Women's Academic Fund and shared how the Government assists more women in STEM with funding for female researchers.

Governor Yuzaki provided an overview of the Hiroshima Sports Promotion Strategy, which aims to enrich people's active participation in sports to enhance health and sports science and management, at the same time ensuring quality professional training for youth and future Olympians. The Premier shared the current Queensland initiatives involving the Commonwealth Games in 2018 and encouraged collaboration between Queensland and Hiroshima in this area.

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Kuniaki SHIMOZAKI Superintendent, Hiroshima Prefectural Board of

Education

Mr Ryukichi SATO Deputy Superintendent

Mr Takanori MOROFUJI Director General, Education Department

Mr Takuma TERADA Director of Learning Innovation Promotion Division

Mr Hiroshi YAMAMOTO Supervisor, Learning Innovation Promotion Division

Mr Takashi YAMAGAMI Manager, Learning Innovation Promotion Division

Mr Fumi HAYASHI Manager, Learning Innovation Promotion Division

Mr Kenichi KATO Manager, Learning Innovation Promotion Division

Meeting Summary:

This lunch strengthened the relationship between Queensland and Hiroshima and provided an opportunity to thank Mr Shimozaki for promoting Queensland as a study destination and to ask for Hiroshima's continued support.

The Premier witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Hiroshima Prefectural Board of Education (BoE) which recognises the importance of education exchanges between Queensland and Hiroshima.

The Premier expressed her thanks for the enthusiastic support of Hiroshima Prefecture in hosting the inaugural group of 11 Queensland students undertaking a science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) focused study tour in December 2016.

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The Premier and Mr Shimozaki reflected on Hiroshima's recent short-term exchange program to Queensland and the Premier confirmed the willingness of Queensland to host a reciprocal exchange program for Hiroshima students to visit Queensland in 2017.

The Premier also extended an invitation for representatives of Hiroshima schools to come to Queensland to attend the World Science Festival Brisbane from 22-26 March 2017.

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Visit to the Hiroshima Peace Memorial

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2017

Attendees

Mr Kenji SHIGA Director, Hiroshima Peace Memorial Museum

Visit Summary:

The Premier was honoured to lay a wreath on behalf of Queenslanders at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial – Cenotaph for the atomic bomb victims, the first Queensland Premier to do so.

After a visit to the Museum, the Premier also signed the guest book.

The monument is inscribed with the words, "Let all the souls here rest in peace, for we shall not repeat the evil." The stone chamber at the centre houses the registry of the names of deceased atomic bomb victims, regardless of nationality. Names are added when a person related to a deceased victim makes an application. As of August 6, 2016 the registry comprises 111 volumes, including 110 volumes with 303,195 names and one with the words, "Many victims with their names unknown."

Site visit to JFE Steel Fukuyama Steelworks

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Attendees

Mr Hiromu OKA Executive Vice President, JFE Steel

Mr Hiroyuki OGAWA Vice President, General Superintendent,

West Japan Works – Fukuyama, JFE Steel

Meeting Summary:

On the Premier's first visit to Japan in October 2015, JFE Steel Corporation (JFE Steel) extended an invitation to the Premier to visit one of JFE Steel's steelworks. This visit allowed the Premier to take up the invitation.

The visit enabled the Premier to view one of the largest steel works in the world where high quality rail is being constructed for export to Queensland. The site tour included a briefing on the advanced quality control processes of JFE Steel to create high quality steel products for use in construction, automotive industries and household appliances.

The West Japan Works at Fukuyama uses Queensland's high quality coking coal. JFE Steel is a valued, important and longstanding purchaser of coking coal from Queensland.

The Premier and the official party were given a tour of the site which included viewing the coal stockyard, the #5 blast furnace foundry, as well as the hot roll mill plant.

Dinner with JFE Steel

Date: Tuesday, 15 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Hiromu OKA Member of Board and Executive Vice

President, JFE Steel Corporation

Mr Tetsuma CHIBA General Manger, Coal Sec, Dept I JFE Steel

Corporation

Mr Scott Ada Deputy General Manager, JFE Shoji Trade

Australia

Mr Kazuki MATSUO Manager, Investment Sect, Raw Materials

Dept, JFE Steel Corporation

Mr Naoki ONODERA Investment Section, Raw Materials Dept, JFE

Steel Corporation

Mr Naohiro YAMAUCHI Managing Director, JFE Steel Australia

Event Summary:

This dinner provided the opportunity for the Premier to acknowledge the contribution JFE Steel makes to Queensland through its longstanding purchase of Queensland coking coal. It was also an opportunity to congratulate JFE Steel on the commencement of supply of rail to Aurizon.

JFE Steel currently sources on average 70% of its coking coal from Queensland. JFE Steel also has interests in a number of Queensland coal mines.

JFE provided an update on its investments in Queensland, including the Byerwen coal project.

JFE Steel's relationship with Aurizon is significant as it symbolizes the synergy of the relationship between Queensland and Japan. Queensland coal, exported to Japan, comes back to Queensland as high quality rail, on to which future shipments of coal will travel.

Briefing on Kawasaki railway station integrated rail and commercial development

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Attendees

Mr Atsushi MIURA Deputy Mayor of Kawasaki

Meeting Summary:

The Premier received a briefing from the Deputy Mayor of Kawasaki, Mr Atsushi Miura, on the Kawasaki railway station with its integrated rail and commercial development.

This visit gave the Premier an understanding of how the Kawasaki Government balanced the need for transport infrastructure with commercial development at one of Japan's busiest stations. The Kawasaki railway station has 280,000 passengers passing through the station each day, making it the ninth busiest in eastern Japan.

Deputy Mayor Miura and the Premier discussed how they can further expand the relationship between Kawasaki City and Queensland through the existing Memorandum of Understanding.

The Premier and Deputy Mayor Miura also discussed the Deputy Mayor's vision for the city and how innovative project models can ensure development delivers value to not only the state but also stimulate further economic growth.

Office Opening - Cutting Edge Japan

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Attendees

Mr Ben RICHARDS Director of Creative Development & Innovation,

Cutting Edge

Mr Junji MATSUO ("MJ") General Manager, Cutting Edge Japan

Mr Cameron Milner Director, Next Level Strategic Services

Meeting Summary:

The Premier officially opened the Tokyo office of Queensland post-production company, Cutting Edge.

Cutting Edge provided the Premier with an overview on their experience in the Japan market and their outlook for future growth and introduced a number of their key Japanese clients.

The Premier extended congratulations to Cutting Edge on the opening of the new Japan office. Although Cutting Edge has been working in the region for 15 years, establishing a permanent presence sends a strong message to the market of the company's commitment to these relationships.

Trade and Investment Queensland, through their Japan office, has a long relationship with Cutting Edge and was instrumental in facilitating Cutting Edge's initial entry to the Japan market.

Cutting Edge's new office in Tokyo provides more opportunity for potential collaboration in the creative industries sector and is a great example of innovative Queensland companies achieving international success.

Meeting with Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Attendees

Mr Keisuke KUROKI President.

Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation

Mr Koichi HAMANO Executive Vice President,

Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation

Meeting Summary:

The visit enabled the Premier to renew the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Queensland and Japan's resource investment promotion agency, Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corporation (JOGMEC).

The renewal of this MOU signified both parties' commitment to broadening the relationship to include, not only collaboration on resource investment, but building on initial introductions by TIQ, potential training and personnel exchanges.

Queensland companies gain unique access to major Japanese companies and an enhanced credit status from having the Japanese Government's support.

After receiving a briefing on Japan's leading edge clean coal technologies, the Premier and Mr Kuroki expressed agreement on increasing collaboration and how we can work with our Japanese partners for high quality Queensland coal to lay a part in reducing global emissions through the expansion of clean coal technology.

Meeting with Oji Fibre Solutions

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Attendees

Mr ISONO Director, Executive Officer of Oji HD

Chairman of Oji Fibre Solutions

Mr AlKAWA Group Manager, Overseas Corporate Planning Dept. of Oji

Management Office Inc

Meeting Summary:

The Premier met with Oji Fibre Solutions (OjiFS) to discuss their investment in a \$68M corrugated box manufacturing facility at Yatala, creating an initial 55 operational jobs. OjiFS, is a subsidiary of the Japanese based Oji Holdings.

The Premier thanked OjiFS for their decision to locate the new operation in Queensland, rather than elsewhere in Australia or in Asia. It represents the second job creating investment secured by the Palaszczuk Government's new Advance Queensland Industry Attraction Fund.

OjiFS will develop new products at the proposed facility to meet emerging industry requirements, including a new packaging concept for Queensland's banana industry that will use in-house design and laboratory testing in conjunction with customer field trials.

From an initial 55 jobs created by year five, the company expects the workforce to grow to 77 by its eighth year of operation.

Based on OjiFS's other Australian manufacturing facilities, the Yatala operation is expected to create ongoing supply chain opportunities for around 50 local businesses in the plumbing and electrical, machining and fabrication, machine parts and servicing, and general service industries.

The new, highly automated facility will produce corrugated packaging products for use by fruit and produce, meat, industrial, fast moving consumer goods, paper products and consumer durable companies throughout Queensland, Northern New South Wales and the Northern Territory.

OjiFS aims for the new facility to have a 5/6 Green Star environmental rating that offers substantial environmental benefits in the form of reduced electricity and water consumption, lower greenhouse gas emissions and increased recycling of construction materials.

25th Anniversary of the Japan Association of Overseas Studies

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Number of Attendees: 180-200

Event Summary:

This event provided the Premier with the opportunity to promote the State's Advancing Education Action Plan and International Education and Training Strategy to Advance Queensland 2016-2026 to high level Japanese stakeholders who drive study abroad projects.

The event reinforced the importance of nurturing a future generation of globally minded talent, and for outlining Queensland's reputation as a world class provider of education and a safe environment for Japanese students.

Attendees included Mr Hakubun Shimomura, Japan's former Minister of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology (MEXT) and former Minister for the Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Other senior attendees included key members of the Japanese House of Representatives, senior officials from MEXT, Deans of several top Japanese universities, and Ambassadors from other key markets.

The Premier recorded a video message promoting Queensland as a premium education destination as part of the 25th Anniversary celebrations.

Queensland Government and TEQ Dinner

Date: Wednesday, 16 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Kazuyoshi TOGAWA KNT-CT Holdings Co Ltd and JATA Vice Chairman

Mr Shinichiro KADONO Toshiba Tourist Corporation

Mr Satoshi KUROKAWA Alpine Tour Service Co Ltd

Mr Jun KOYANAGI Odakyu Travel Co Ltd

Mr Osamu YOSHIDA JR Tokai Tours Inc

Mr Hajime IZUMI M.O. Tourist Co Ltd

Mr Toru FURUSAWA JTB Corporation

Mr Koji DOI Noe Corp

Mr Kenji ARAKI PTS Corp

Mr Takashi SAKAMOTO Yomiuri Travel Service

Mr Takafumi SAKURAI Miki Tourist

Mr Etsuji ISHIWATA Jalpac Co Ltd

Mr Katsuyuki HIRAOKA ANA Sales Co Ltd

Mr Hikaru WADA H.I.S. Co Ltd

Mr Koji TOKUNO Tobu Top Tours Co Ltd

Mr Masahiro TAKAHASHI Nippon Travel Agency

Mr Toshiaki SHIGETA Japan Association of Travel Agents

Mr Hideaki MURAI Japan Association of Travel Agents

Mr Masashi OGINO Qantas Airways

Mr Masaru KATAOKA Jetstar

Mr Shigeki YAMADA Cool Japan Fund

Ms Clare WALSH Australian Embassy Tokyo

Mr Andrew JAMES Populous

Mr Ben RICHARDS Cutting Edge

Mr Junji MATSUO Cutting Edge

Mr Cameron Milner Director, Next Level Strategic Services

Professor Arun Sharma Queensland University of Technology

Mr Martin LOCK TAFE Queensland International

Ms Shay MCHARDY TAFE Queensland International

Mr Toshiaki NISHIZAWA Tourism and Events Queensland

Ms Mitsue TAMURA Tourism and Events Queensland

Event Summary:

Tourism and Events Queensland (TEQ) hosted a dinner at La Rochelle which provided the opportunity for the Premier to meet with senior executives from the Japanese travel industry. Some of the guests visited Brisbane and the Gold Coast in November 2015 as part of the Queensland mission with the Japan Association of Travel Agents.

The Premier promoted Queensland as a major destination for the Japanese trade industry as well as continuing to build on the strong relationship with the Japan Association of Travel Agents (JATA). The dinner supported TEQ's commitment to the Japanese market.

The dinner gave the opportunity for TAFE Queensland to thank Chef Sakai and his team in inviting the two TAFE Queensland "French Iron Chef Sakai Experience Competition" winners to participate in an internship at La Rochelle. The two winners – Ms Cloe Buckley from TAFE Queensland North and Ms Hyeonju Jeon from TAFE Queensland Brisbane – who were on the second day of their internship - were introduced to the guests.

Meeting with Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Keizo NAKAI Director General, Board of Education

Mr Masashi TSUTSUMI Deputy Director General, Board of Education

Mr Takeo HAYAKAWA Senior Director, General Affairs Division, Board of

Education

Mr Satoru ITO Special Advisor on Education, General Director of the

Tokyo Metropolitan School Personnel In-service Training

Center, Board of Education

Mr Yoshinori DEHARI Senior Director, Curriculum and Guidance Division, Board

of Education

Mr Takeshi UDA Senior Director for Guidance Promotion division, Board of

Education

Ms Akiko MORI Director for International Education Project, Board of

Education

Mr Yoshihiro TAKIZAWA Director for International Education Section, Board of

Education

Meeting Summary:

The Premier witnessed the Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education (MBoE) signing the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Queensland and the MBoE which recognises the importance of education collaboration between Queensland and Tokyo.

The Premier expressed thanks for the MBoE's enthusiastic support of the 2017 Next Generation Leaders Scholarship project which will allow 60 Japanese students, aged 15 to 18, to study in Queensland state schools for one year.

In 2017, the MBoE allocated 60 students to study in Australia and 100% of this allocation was awarded to DET International. No other Australian state or territory was successful in their bid under the 2017 program. The remaining students will study in New Zealand.

The 2017 Next Generation Leaders Scholarship program has a net benefit to Queensland of over \$1M.

Japan and Australia have a current strategic focus on enhancing international education.

Both countries are seeking to enhance the number of their students studying abroad and attracting more international students to study at their universities.

Australia continues to be a top destination country for international students from Japan due to the reputation of Australian institutions, the quality of teaching/research and personal safety.

The Queensland Government will commit \$25.3M over the next five years to support one of Queensland's most promising export industries - its world class international education and training industry. The \$25.3M investment will deliver a new, whole-of-government International Education and Training Strategy to Advance Queensland 2016-2026, which will

explore innovative marketing campaigns, targeted trade missions and ways to significantly enhance the student experience.

The Premier confirmed Queensland's interest to liaise further with the MBoE about initiatives involving professional development for teachers and short term student study tours.

The MOU will support this activity and further opportunities for Japanese teachers and students to undertake professional visits and short term study tours in Queensland, on a fee for service arrangement with Education Queensland International.

Professional visits promote best practice approaches in Queensland government agencies and supports state tourism.

Short term study tours often lead to long term enrolments in Queensland state schools and support the Queensland Government's aspiration for a national international student enrolment market share of 20% by 2026 under the *International Education and Training Strategy to Advance Queensland 2016-2026.*

The Premier extended an invitation for representatives of Tokyo schools to come to Queensland to attend the World Science Festival Brisbane from 22-26 March 2017.

Courtesy Call with Governor of Tokyo Metropolitan Government

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2016

Attendees:

Ms Yuriko KOIKE Governor of Tokyo Metropolitan Government

Mr Hideaki MIZUKOSHI Special Advisor to the Governor on International Affairs

Mr Keizo NAKAI Director General, Office of Education

Mr Akihiko SUNAMI Senior Director for City Diplomacy

Office of the Governor for Policy Planning

Mr Hideki YOKOYAMA Senior Director of International Affairs Division

Office of the Governor for Policy Planning

Mr Kazusa NODA Executive Assistant to the Governor

Ms Miyoko MIYACHI Executive Assistant to the Governor

Meeting Summary:

The Premier presented to the Governor the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Tokyo Metropolitan Board of Education and the Queensland Board of Education which was signed earlier in the morning.

The Premier congratulated Governor Koike on her historic achievement as the first elected female Governor of Tokyo. Governor Koike had a landslide election win just three months earlier.

As Governor Koike is a strong advocate for advancing opportunities for women, the Premier shared that half of Queensland's cabinet are women, reflecting the support and encouragement for leadership opportunities for women under her government.

The Premier conveyed Queensland's enthusiasm to build on the successful conclusion of this MOU, and to leverage the education exchange relationship and to strengthen the relationship with the wider Tokyo Government.

With Tokyo due to host the Rugby World Cup in 2019 and the next summer Olympics and Paralympics in 2020, the Premier advised that Queensland has a strong record in hosting global events, like the G20 in 2014 and the Commonwealth Games which will be held on the Gold Coast in 2018.

The Premier discussed the Advance Queensland strategy and potential for collaborations between Queensland and Tokyo institutions and industry. Governor Koike agreed that transformative policies are needed to drive growth and noted that Tokyo would welcome collaborations in the future as they work to ensure that Tokyo will continue to be seen as an innovative trendsetter.

Meeting with SoftBank

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2016

Attendees

Mr Tsuyoshi OBOKATA Vice President, Global Business Development, SoftBank

Mr Kenichi Yoshida Vice President, Business Development, SoftBank

Robotics

Mr Takatoshi WATANABE Director, ST Solutions Australia (STSA)

Mr Tomonaga OGITA Manager, Planning & Strategy Section, Sales Promotion

Dept, Sales Promotion Division, Global Business Division

Enterprise Business Unit

Mr Yoshi OHARA Acting Director, Carrier Business Dept, 2nd Sales Division,

Global Business Division Enterprise Business Unit

Professor Arun Sharma Deputy Vice Chancellor, Research & Commercialisation,

Queensland University of Technology

Meeting Summary:

The Premier and SoftBank undertook a signing of the SoftBank Proof of Concept (PoC) Agreement to undertake a pilot project to utilise Pepper robots in Queensland.

As part of the closer ties between the Queensland government and SoftBank, the company will be a foundation tenant in Queensland's start-up innovation precinct in the historical TC Beirne Building in Fortitude Valley in Brisbane. The agreement will support the Fortitude Valley start-up innovation precinct to become a hub for business and software developers.

The Premier expressed her pleasure in meeting Mr Yoshida again, this time in Japan. Mr Yoshida travelled to Queensland to give a key note speech at the Advance Queensland Innovation and Investment Summit earlier this year.

Following an initial meeting with the Premier during her trade mission to Japan in September 2015, the Queensland Government and SoftBank signed a Memorandum of Understanding at the inaugural World Science Festival Brisbane in March 2016. SoftBank also participated in the Advance Queensland Investment and Innovation Summit (AQIIS) in April 2016.

Professor Sharma acknowledged that QUT will assist in coordinating the R&D collaboration and entrepreneurial development activities of the partnership.

There will be opportunities for local developers to partner with SoftBank. The project has the potential to position Queensland as a global innovation industry hub, a key focus of the Advance Queensland strategy.

The Premier looks forward to the growth of partnerships between Queensland businesses and one of Japan's leading companies.

Infrastructure Investment Seminar

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2016

Number of Attendees: Approximately 300

Event Summary:

The Premier delivered a speech at the seminar to promote Queensland as an attractive investment destination and to highlight the opportunities for investors to work with the Queensland Government on innovative partnerships to deliver infrastructure. This seminar promoted Queensland as the state with not only strong future growth but also as an attractive infrastructure investment destination to representatives from Japan's leading infrastructure investment and property securitization industry peak body, The Association for Real Estate Securitization (ARES).

Senior representative from the Department of Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning provided information on potential projects in Queensland and on how the government is working with industry to bring priority infrastructure projects to market. QIC provided an insight into infrastructure investments from the fund manager/investor's perspective.

Attendees to the seminar included senior representatives from the world's largest pension fund, Japans Government Pension Investment Fund (GPIF) and member firms of Long Term Infrastructure Investment Association (LTIIA), which include major Japanese fund managers, property developers, general contractors, investment and commercial banks, trading houses, and service providers.

Visit to Peacock Supermarket – Kalfresh Carrots

Date: Thursday, 17 November 2016

Attendees:

Mr Tomohisa NISHIKAWA

General Manager, Union (Importer)

Meeting Summary:

The Peacock supermarket held a Queensland carrot promotion from the Queensland company 'Kalfresh'. The Premier thanked Mr Nishikawa for supporting Queensland's horticultural sector and for facilitating the special promotion.

The Premier discussed with Mr Nishikawa the potential for importing other high quality produce from Queensland, such as corn, zucchini and asparagus.

Mr Nishikawa provided an overview on the quality and popularity of Queensland's produce.

Due to changing lifestyles and a shrinking farming sector, Japan has a low food self-sufficiency rate which has remained around 39-37% since 1997. Australia is one of the world leaders with ratio of over 200%.

Although Japan is highly dependent on imports, the sophisticated Japanese consumer demands high quality produce, thus creating an opportunity for high quality, `clean and green` produce from Queensland.

Appendix

Media – International

Cutting Edge Japan Press Release (5 December 2016)

Advancement in the Japanese CG Industry: Inauguration of Cutting Edge Japan

Cutting Edge, known for providing motion graphics in Hollywood movies such as *The Great Gatsby* and *Predestination*, establishes an office in Japan.

Major Australian CG/VFX company, Cutting Edge, established its Japan office in Tameike-sanno.

Prominent members attended the opening ceremony, including the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, Premier Palaszczuk and Ms. Mariko Bando, President of Showa Women's University, former Consul General of Japan in Brisbane, and author of *The Dignity of a Woman*.

With its headquarters in Brisbane, the Cutting Edge group established its first overseas office.

On November 16th, the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, Premier Palaszczuk visited the opening party held at the Japan office of Cutting Edge located in Minato-ku, Tokyo (Representative Director: Junji Matsuo).

Cutting Edge is a VFX company that creates world-class motion graphics for movies, TV commercials, and web movies. With offices in Sydney and Gold Coast, Cutting Edge's high quality services have been attracting attention from Hollywood.

http://www.cuttingedge.com.au/

Cutting Edge has been involved in the Japanese market for over 10 years, engaging in over 50 different projects with its primary focus on TV commercials.

TV Commercials created by Cutting Edge

Subaru "XV" Free Field ver., All Weather Field ver.

Toyota Motors "MIRAI" Tunnel of Water ver.

Suntory "BOSS" Tommy Lee Jones, History of Mankind ver.

Peach John "Cooling brassiere" Haruna Kohima, I'm a cold girl ver.

Coca Cola "Coke Zero" Namie Amuro, Motorbike ver.

Cutting Edge has been awarded the Creative Industries Award 6 times, including this year, at the Premier of Queensland's Export Awards and the Australian Export Awards, which recognises and awards businesses with significant foreign contribution. Premier Palaszczuk also praised Cutting Edge's achievements and stated that the globally evolving company is a proud representation of the state of Queensland.

Many prominent individuals participated in the opening party.

In addition to Mariko Bando, President of Showa Women's University, former Consul General of Japan in Brisbane, and author of *The Dignity of a Woman*, there were approximately 40 guests from the video production industry of movies, TV commercials, and video games.

As Asia's hub, Cutting Edge Japan will gather bilingual and trilingual staff members to provide high quality video production services not only in the area of CG and VFX, but also in the greater field of video filming and editing.

NHK Website (Uploaded 17 November 1:34pm)

http://www3.nhk.or.jp/news/html/20161117/k10010772411000.html

小池都知事 豪クイーンズランド州との若者交流促進へ

11月17日 13時34分



東京都の小池知事は、オーストラリア・クイーンズランド州のトップ、パラシェ首相と会談し、都立高校の生徒のクイーンズランド州への留学の枠を拡大するなど、若者どうしの 交流を深めていくことを確認しました。

小池知事は、17日午前、グレートバリアリーフなどの観光地で有名なオーストラリア北東部・クイーンズランド州のトップのパラシェ首相と会談しました。

この中で小池知事は「日本への石炭の3割、牛肉の4割がクイーンズランド州から輸入されていて、資源エネルギーや食料供給で非常に関係が深い。連携をより深めたい」と述べました。これに対し、パラシェ首相は「クイーンズランド州は、安全で豊かな自然に囲まれ、観光に力を入れている。日本からの観光客を今の2倍にしたいと考えていて、活発な交流に期待したい」と応じました。

そして、小池知事とパラシェ首相は、都教育委員会とクイーンズランド州教育省との間で、17日締結された覚書に基づき、都立高校の生徒のクイーンズランド州への1年間の留学の枠をこれまでの50人から60人に拡大することや、都立高校とクイーンズランド州の高校との間で姉妹校を増やすなどして、若者どうしの交流を深めていくことを確認しました。

Governor Koike promoting youth exchanges with State of Queensland, Australia.

Governor of Tokyo, Governor Koike met with the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, Premier Palaszczuk and confirmed their intention to further increase the number of (Tokyo) metropolitan high school students that undertake exchanges to Queensland and also further deepen youth exchanges. (Wording with photo)

Governor Koike met with the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, which is in the North East of Australia and home to the famous Great Barrier Reef, Premier Palaszczuk, on the morning of 17th.

In the meeting, Governor Koike noted that as "30% of Japan's coal and 40% of the beef is imported from Queensland, there is a very deep relationship in resources energy and food supply sectors. I would like to further deepen this through collaboration". Premier Palaszczuk replied that" as Queensland is a safe state that is surrounded by beautiful nature, tourism is an area of focus. I would like to see the number of Japanese tourist double and I look forward to active exchanges."

Building on the Memorandum of Understanding that was signed on the 17th between the Tokyo Board of Education and Queensland Department of Education, Governor Koike and Premier Palaszczuk confirmed their wish to increase the number of (Tokyo) metropolitan high school students that undertake 1 year exchanges to Queensland from the current 50 students to 60 students and increase the sister schools between (Tokyo) metropolitan high schools and Queensland high schools and deepen youth exchanges.

Tokyo Metropolitan Governor website

http://www.metro.tokyo.jp/tosei/governor/governor/katsudo/2016/11/17_01.html

オーストラリア クイーンズランド州首相兼芸術大臣と面会

平成28 (2016) 年11月17日 (木曜)、小池知事は、アナスタシア・パラシェ クイーンズランド州首相兼芸術大臣と都庁で会談しました。

会談に先立ち、パラシェ大臣出席の下、クイーンズランド州教育省と東京都教育委員会との間で、世界で活躍できる人材の育成に向け、国際交流を始めとしたさまざまな取り組みをさらに推進する目的とする「教育に関する覚書」を締結しました。

知事は、「日本は、クイーンズランド州からの資源エネルギーや食料の輸入などで非常に関係が深い」と話しました。また、オーストラリアを訪れる日本人観光客約30万人の半数がクイーンズランド州を訪問していること、オーストラリアからも約37万人が日本を訪問していることにふれ、大きな交流があると述べました。さらに、直前に締結された覚書について、「世界で活躍できる人材の育成という、東京都の重要課題を推進していく上で、クイーンズランドの子供達と東京の子供達が連携を深めていくことは、大変意義のあること。覚書をベースに、日本とオーストラリアの関係が深まることを期待している」と語りました。

パラシェ大臣は、日本とクイーンズランド州との関係について、「2番目に大きな貿易相手国ということだけでなく、長い間、強い関係を築いてきた。日本からの観光客も増えているが、さらに増やしたい」と話しました。覚書については、「非常に意味があるもの。これから60名の日本の生徒を受け入れる予定。クイーンズランドでは、日本語を学ぶ生徒も多く、日本語教育も進めていきたい。さまざまな交換プログラムも活発に行っていきたい」と語りました。

Governor Koike met with the Premier of Queensland and Minister for the Arts, the Hon. Annastacia Palaszczuk, on 17 November 2016 at the Tokyo Metropolitan Government.

Prior to the meeting, the Premier signed a Memorandum of Understanding between the Queensland Department of Education and Tokyo Board of Education to undertake various international exchange programs to nurture human capital that can perform on the world stage.

The Governor stated that "Japan has a very deep relationship with Queensland due the import of energy resources and food". Further, as half of the 300,000 Japanese tourists that visit Australia travel to Queensland and approximately 370,000 Australians travel to Japan each year, there is already deep exchanges (between our two states). Touching on the MOU signing that occurred immediately prior to the meeting, the Governor noted that engaging a deep relationship between children of Queensland and Tokyo is highly meaningful and a positive step towards tackling the issue of educating and nurturing globally competent human capital. The Governor also showed high expectations for a strengthened relationship between Japan and Australia, based on the MOU.

The Premier stated that Australia and Japan has a strong relationship built upon many years as the second largest trade partner and is looking forward to also increasing the number of tourists to Queensland. In regards to the MOU, Premier Palaszczuk mentioned its importance and stated that "60 Japanese students are expected to visit Queensland and a variety of exchange programs should be implemented. There are many students studying Japanese in Queensland and I look forward to continuing the education of Japanese."



Jiii News Website (18 November 2016)

http://www.jiji.com/jc/article?k=000000214.000012624&g=prt

オーストラリア連邦クイーンズランド州政府とMOU締結

[JOGMEC]

~将来的な人材交流の検討を追加~

JOGMEC (本部:東京都港区、理事長:黒木啓介) は2016年11月16日、パラシェ豪州クイーンズランド州首相の来日に合わせて、エネルギー・資源全般における両者の関係強化を目的とした「包括的・戦略的パートナーシップに係る覚書」 (Memorandum of Understanding: MOU) に調印しました。

JOGMECは、オーストラリア連邦クイーンズランド州(以下、QLD州)政府と2013年9月に MOUを締結し、それ以降、石炭・金属分野でJV契約や投資促進セミナー開催等の実績を着実 に積み上げていることから、今般、一層の関係強化を図るため、資源プロジェクトに係る情報・見解を交換するとの現行内容に加えて、将来的に人材交流を検討することを追加しました。これを受けて、パラシェ首相が来日したことに合わせ、JOGMEC本部にて改めてMOUの調印式を行いました。

また、同時に行われた会談では、多くの本邦企業がQLD州の石炭をはじめとする資源プロジェクトに投資をしていることを踏まえて、同州の資源政策全般について意見交換を行いました。パラシェ首相からは、QLD州にとって資源は最も重要な輸出産業であり、昨年以降ルールの弾力化、手続の迅速化等の努力をしていること、また、日本は重要な貿易相手国であることから、JOGMECも含め、一層の関係強化を図っていきたい等の発言がありました。その他、QLD州政府からのリクエストにより、JOGMECから日本のクリーンコール技術に関して解説を行いました

JOGMECでは、今後も本MOUを通じエネルギー・資源の我が国への安定供給に向けてQLD州との一層の関係強化を図ってまいります。



Memorandum of Understanding signed with the Queensland State Government, Australia

Adding the consideration of future human resource exchanges

On November 16th, JOGMEC (Headquarters in Minato-ku, Tokyo; Chairman Keisuke Kuroki) met with the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, Premier Palaszczuk, to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with the purpose of strengthening their ties in the field of energy and resources.

JOGMEC and the Queensland government have initially signed the MOU in September of 2013, which led to successful joint venture contracts and investment seminars in the field of coal and metal. To further enhance this relationship, JOGMEC and Premier Palaszczuk agreed to add considerations of human capital collaboration opportunities in addition to the existing content of exchanging information and views on resource projects. With this addition, JOGMEC and Premier Palaszczuk held a signing ceremony for the MOU.

During the meeting that occurred at the same time, the chairman of JOGMEC and the Premier exchanged opinions on Queensland's resource policies based on the large number of Japanese companies investing in resource projects in Queensland. Premier Palaszczuk noted that resources are the most important export industry for Queensland and that efforts are being made to make rules more flexible and procedures more efficient since last year. Furthermore, the Premier stated that Japan is an important trade partner and looks forward to strengthening their ties, including JOGMEC. Additionally, JOGMEC explained about the clean coal technology of Japan upon request by the Queensland government.

At JOGMEC, we will endeavour to strengthen our ties with the Queensland government through MOU to securely supply our country with energy and resources.

Link to JOGMEC press release

http://www.jogmec.go.jp/news/release/news 06 000206.html?mid=pr 161118

16 November 2016

Yomuiri Shinbun (Article from Hiroshima)

Premier of Queensland, Australia visits Governor of Hiroshima

On November 15th, the head of the State of Queensland, Australia, Premier Palaszczuk, visited the Hiroshima prefectural office to meet with Governor Yuzaki as the Hiroshima Board of Education has an educational agreement with the state of Queensland.

Premier Palaszczuk spoke about the advancement of policies regarding promoting women researchers in the workforce and stated that "there are many opportunities for Japan and Australia to cooperate and I look forward to strengthening our ties by providing educational support."

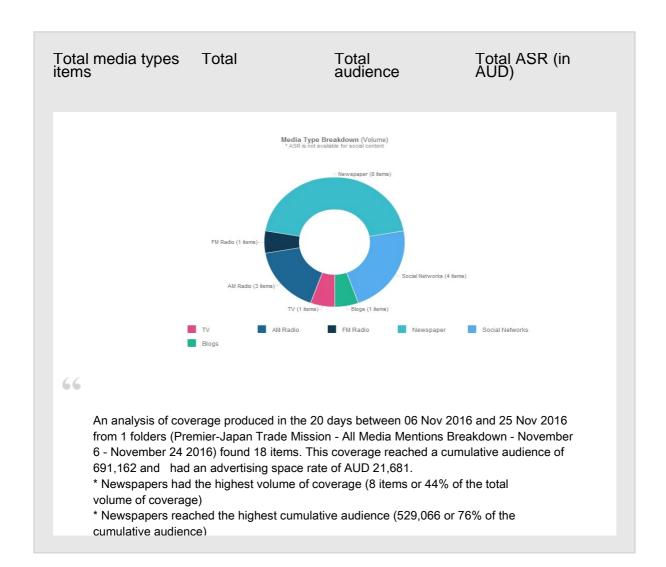
The Hiroshima Board of Education has signed an educational agreement with the state of Queensland in March of 2013 to promote student exchange programs, and this visit updated this agreement. Two high schools in Hiroshima have undertaken sister school collaboration with a high school in Queensland, and Hiroshima is expecting to welcome students from Queensland next month.

Media - Domestic

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Premier jetting to Japan MULTIMILLION-dollar mining and manufacturing deals to create jobs are set to be signed as Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk jets to Japan today on a five-day trade mission.

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Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk will spend five days in Japan to sign off on multimillion ...

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Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk will spend five days in Japan to sign off on multimillion dollar mining and manufacturing deals with the State's second largest trading partner. Her trip will include a meeting with JFE Steel in a bid to secure the go ahead for a new coal mine west of Mackay. She will return to Brisbane on Friday for a Cabinet meeting.

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350 jobs in new coal mine that may get 'go-ahead'

Daily Mercury, Mackay QLD, General News

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Premier signs deals

Cairns Post, Cairns, General News

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QUEENSLAND Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk will spend five days in Japan to sign mining and manufacturing deals with the state's second largest trading partner.

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SEA FM Mackay, Mackay, 07:30 News, Newsreader

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Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk plans on meeting with the Japanese company, JFE Steel, in Japan tomorrow. She says she's hoping to finalise the go-ahead for the Byerwen Coal Project, which is set to create 350 jobs to the region next year.

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Qld Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk is in Japan this week to finalise the permission for a proposed Byerwen coal mine near Glenden. The mine is a joint venture between QCoal and Japanese company JFE Steel. The \$1.7b project is expected to create hundreds of jobs for struggling mining towns in the area. QCoal has assured most of the jobs will be locally-sourced. The Byerwen mine could start next year if pending approvals will be granted.

Audience

17,000 ALL, 8,000 MALE 16+, 9,000 FEMALE 16+

Interviewees

Anthony Lynham, Queensland Minister for State Development, Minister for Natural Resources and Mines|Hayden Leary, QCoal



NEW MEGA MINE TO STAMP FOOTPRINT ON THE BASIN

Daily Mercury, Mackay QLD, General News, Emily Smith

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Not only Adani set to bring new jobs 1000 jobs in production by 2018 as new mining giant stakes its claim Paget company is running round-the-clock shifts ADANI isn't the only player looking to move into central Queensland. There is a new mining giant coming, with plans expected to shake up the Bowen Basin.

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Morning Bulletin, Rockhampton QLD, General News, Emily Smith

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Premier opens production studio in Tokyo Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk is in Tokyo attending the opening of the international studio of Brisbane-based production house Cutting Edge, as Queensland companies continue to do well overseas.

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Regular Segment: State Politics with Chris O'Brien.

Ryan says new Queensland Resources Council boss Ian Macfarlane is causing quite a bit of a stir. She says Macfarlane, who is a former Abbott Government minister, officially starts his new job tomorrow, but there has already been a protest. Macfarlane has taken aim at green groups, claiming that they generated too much propaganda about the coal industry. O'Brien says the protest comes on the day of QRC's annual lunch. He says Michael Roche, the former head, was officially farewelled today. He explains the controversy about Macfarlane, noting that a rule of ethics in Federal politics says that if an official leaves the ministry, he is not allowed to lobby in relation to your particular portfolio for 18 months. He says green groups are claiming Macfarlane breached that rule. An audio clip of the protest is played. O'Brien says Macfarlane said he doesn't care what people think. He says Macfarlane has been accused of being a rat in the political system, which he denied. An audio clip of Macfarlane's speech is played. He notes that Minister for Mines Anthony Lynham spoke at the lunch. He says Lynham used his speech to defend some of the recent issues, such as the new water license requirements. He says the Premier phoned in with a video from Japan where she is staying in a couple of days.

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Interviewees

Chris O'Brien, State Political reporter|Ian Macfarlane, new Chief executive, Queensland Resources Council [excerpt]

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Coast thinks outside box

Courier Mail, Brisbane, General News

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🚮 Interview with Curtis Pitt, Treasurer, Queensland about the labour force issue in Qld.

ABC Far North, Cairns, Breakfast, Kier Shorey

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Interview with Curtis Pitt, Treasurer, Queensland about the labour force issue in Qld.

Shorey asks Pitt about the ABS labour force data report, where it shows the decrease of unemployment rates in Qld but concerns have been raised that it underlays the decrease of Qld people looking for work. Pitt says the ABS uses a 6% trend figure, and their figures does have a participation rate in consideration, though it is not unusual. He says they have a lot of programs in place to increase the Qld labour participation rate, including Skilling Queenslanders for Work and the \$100 million dollar Back to Work project initiative this year. He and the Qld Premier announced the initiative Youth Boost, which will offer a \$20,000 fund for employers who will hire anyone between the ages of 15 and 24. Shorey asks if the data shows that some of their employment programs are not working. Pitt says that they are supporting 30,000 people in the government's capital program, and that there is an important need for private sectors to be hiring, so the Back to Work program has been successful for both employers and employees, and they expect it to ramp up. Pitt says they need to continue supporting the economy, and that some parts of Qld have been transitioning from a post-mining economy. He reports the Qld Premier is now in Japan to discuss trade deals, and how the Qld Cabinet is meeting on working to improve their business policies. Pitt talks about his present meeting, which will discuss future developments on job creation programs. Shorey asks if Pitt is concerned about the increasing number of people not looking for work. Pitt says they should not be only concerned about this, but also increasing full time work, and the hours of work. He says they are working on that data to improve the sector on jobs, and they are working to ensure people in Qld to have economic improvement as well. Shorey asks about the emergency MQ rescue helicopter issue, where it has been unavailable, and if there is a budget to buy another helicopter. Pitt says that they take operational advice from their emergency services and police on what is needed for their services, and he is not ruling any possibility of getting another helicopter, though they need that advice from the services about it.

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Interviewees

Curtis Pitt, Treasurer, Queensland



Japanese crunch numbers with locally grown carrots

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Resources key to state's future

Surat Basin News, Chinchilla, General News, Michael Roche

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This is an extract from Michael Roche's final speech as CEO of the Queensland Resources Council, given at the organisation's annual lunch on November 16. As you have just seen, since our annual lunch last November, it has also been a 'big year' that has seen many changes for our sector.

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ALL FIRED UP

Premier jetting to Japan

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JESSICA MARSZALEK
STATE POLITICAL REPORTER

MULTIMILLION- dollar mining and manufacturing deals to create jobs are set to be signed as Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk jets to Japan today on a five-day trade mission.

Ms Palaszczuk is expected to meet with JFE Steel on Tuesday to finalise the Byerwen coal project – a cokingcoal mine 140km west of Mackay that will bring 350 construction jobs to the struggling region.

The good news comes as a Galaxy Poll for *The Sunday-Mail* found voters don't think the Government is doing enough to create new jobs.

Only one-quarter of the 800 people polled felt the Government was doing

enough.
Commenting on polling
that showed her own personal satisfaction declining
and support for One Nation
steady, Ms Palaszczuk (pictured <u>yesterday</u>) said she knewsheneed d to be "even more focused on jobs".

MsPalaszczik said her trip to Queensland's second-largest trading patner was especially important in the wake of Donald Frump's election as the next US president.

"If the US imposes trade barriers and alopts an isolationist stance we must redouble our efforts to secure more trade and investment with our Asian neighbours," she said.

The Byerwen coal project will mean steelmaking giant JFESteel can up its orders of Queensland coking coal as it continues as preferred supplier of rail track to Aurizon.

A signed agreement with Sumitomo Electric Industries and the Queensland University of Technology to produce battery strage systems in the state is also expected.

The Government's Working Queensland Cabinet Committee will meet for a stocktake of projects and its job programs when the Premier return; on Friday.



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Premier's office stated that "JFE Steel has sourced much of its high quality coking coal from Queensland and needs more of it. The steel making giant is now the preferred supplier of rail track to Aurizon."

When the mine received approvals in 2014, Isaac Regional Council mayor Anne Baker believed the

mine would source workers locally, which she commended it for.

"Byerwen Coal Pty Ltd's Byerwen Coal Project ... is an opportunity to strengthen local resource communities with much-needed employment and economic flow-on benefits," she said at the time.

"I welcome this

investment in our region and our people."

The premier's trip will also include a formal agreement with Sumitomo Electric Industries and the Queensland University of Technology into the potential for a concentrated solar photovoltaic demonstration project in Queensland.

SEI plans to produce their battery storage systems in the state as they find "more opportunities in off-grid, regional areas"- suggesting further chances for the Mackay region to secure development.

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"For over 40 years, Japan has invested heavily in Queensland beginning with coal mines in the 1960s."

Look to The Daily Mercury's website for updates on the Premier's pitch to JFE Steel on Tuesday.



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Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk hopes the mine will get the final go-aheadthis week. PHOTO: TONY MARTIN



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That story and more, inside.







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☐ Thousands of jobs in pipeline

Not only Adani set to bring new jobs

Twoothermajorprojects

Emily Smith emily.smith@dailymercury.com.au

ADANI isn't the only mining company set to offer jobs by the thousands over the next couple of years.

By the end of 2018 Australia's Pembroke Resources hopes to have the mining lease over Olive Downs South secured and offer 1000 jobs once the mine hits production.

But as its smaller Olive Downs North mine already has a mining lease granted, operation could begin within the next six to nine months, if minority stakeholders agree.

Pembroke Resources chief executive officer Barry Tudor said this smaller mine would produce about one million tonnes of coal a year, and would require "a similar workforce to Stanmore Coal's Isaac Plains", which employs 150 people.

Pembroke Resources was formed in 2014, is made up of five executives and backed by US-based Denham Capital.

While it has Indonesian interests, the Olive Downs Project south-east of Moranbah is "its focus".

It bought the project – made up of Olive Downs North, Olive Downs South and Willunga – from Peabody Energy and CITIC Resources for a figure

between \$104-\$120m in April this year.

At the time an exploration permit was held over the tenement and Pembroke has since acquired a minerals development licence.

"We are big believers in coking coal. And the Bowen

Basin is the best place in the world to own a coking coal mine," Mr Tudor said.

"We think we've acquired the best one in the Basin, arguably. It's a large, new mine." The larger Olive Downs South mine would produce 15 million tonnes of coking coal a year and have a 37-year lifespan.

While Mr Tudor said the rise of the coking coal price was "interesting", particularly as it hit US\$307 a tonne last week, he said it "wouldn't change their strategy".

"Our pure focus is developing in a smart, sensible way," he said.

Buyers for the coal have not yet been sourced, but Mr Tudor said he had long standing relationships with Japanese companies and supplying them would be a priority. Along with the 1000 jobs created during production, the workforce required during construction would be "comparable to Byerwen".

The Byerwen Coal Project



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near Glenden is a joint

venture between QCoal and JFE Steel, expected to create 350 jobs during construction and upwards of 500 once it reaches full production.

State Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk will meet with JFE Steel in Japan today.

A QCoal spokeswoman said while infrastructure construction had commenced, further development "and first coal" would require outstanding mining leases to be granted, which are still being assessed by the Department of Resources and Mines.

But she said the company "welcomes the Premier's interest in this important new project for the region and the state".

The open cut and underground mine near

Glenden would produce 10 million tonnes of coking coal a year, and export through Abbot Point.

Isaac Regional Council mayor Anne Baker said the fact multiple companies, rather than a single project, planned on developing mines with major workforces was "definitely positive and encouraging".

"There's definitely been a turn around in the market," Cr Baker said.

She said representatives from each company had "been through the council building". While no company had given firm promises it would provide jobs and procurement opportunities locally, she said securing those chances would be its priority.

PROJECTS

Along with the Olive Downs Project and the Byerwen Coal Project in the Bowen Basin, other key projects are in the pipeline:

- Dugald River zinc mine, north of Cloncurry (worth about \$1.4 billion)
- Kidston Genex solar/hydro electricity project, north-west of Townsville - (\$582 million)
- Baralaba expansion project coal mine 210km west of Gladstone
- Northern Gas Connector Pipeline - Gas pipeline from Tennant Creek to Mtlsa (\$800 million)

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BYERWEN PROJECT

Key features of the project include

- Four mining zones comprising of eight open-cut pits
- Two coal handling and preparation plants
- Two train loading facilities, including rail loop and spur lines, connected to the existing line to Abbot Point
- Augmented power
- 545 operation positions



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Coast thinks outside box

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It is expected the workforce will grow to 77 in eight years.

The Premier said Queensland had secured the factory against competing bids by NSW, Indonesia and Vietnam through its Advance Queensland Industry Attraction Fund.

But the details of sweeteners offered were commercial in confidence, her office said.

The Oji Fibre Solutions factory will produce boxes for fruit and produce, meat and paper products and plans to develop packaging for Queensland's banana industry.

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Japanese crunch numbers with locally grown carrots

CARROTS plucked from Kalfresh farm were front and centre when Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk dropped into a Tokyo supermarket during her recent trade mission to Japan.

The locally grown produce were a splash of sunshine orange at Daimaru Peacock supermarket in Mita Isarago.

The carrots are grown in the Fassifern and Lockyer valleys and were shipped to the city to educate consumers on the quality of food grown in the Sunshine State and add crunch to Japanese diets.

"I am always proud to see Queensland produce take pride of place in overseas supermarkets," Ms Palaszczuk said.

"The Daimaru Peacock group focuses on premium products and Queensland produce is a perfect fit as it is of such high quality.

"These carrots also highlight the reputation that our farmers have as suppliers of quality produce that is safe and nutritious to eat."

The promotion was organised by one of Japan's largest fruit and vegetable importers, Union, and Trade & Investment Queensland (TIQ) and is expected to lead to greater demand for Queensland carrots which are generally sweeter than those grown in Japan.

Union's initial interest in Queensland

carrots was triggered at a lunch hosted by TIQ at Iron Chef Sakai's restaurant in

The lunch was held to highlight the outstanding produce of six Queensland growers to key importers and distributors.

A trade display of fresh Queensland produce was held the same month at Aeon supermarket group's largest shopping mall Koshigaya Laketown in Queensland's sister state of Saitama.

Aeon has 380 stores and is the parent company of Daimaru Peacock which has 54 stores in the Tokyo region.

"These types of promotions are critical in creating awareness and demand in a market that has enormous potential for Queensland.

Kalfresh was started by father and son team, Barry and Robert Hinrichsen, in 1992, and has grown to become one of Queensland's leading vegetable production companies that grows, packs and markets fresh vegetables in Australia and abroad.

The company and its suppliers have about 1500 hectares devoted to vegetables including carrots, green beans, onions and pumpkins.

Queensland produces between \$22 million to \$25 million in carrots each year according to latest AgTrends figures from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.



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Queensland Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk, Queensland Trade Commissioner for Japan Tak Adachi and Director-General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet Dave Stewart found a golden taste of Kalfresh at this supermarket in Tokyo.



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Resources key to state's future



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This is an extract from Michael Roche's final speech as CEO of the Queensland Resources Council, given at the organisation's annual lunch on November 16.

As you have just seen, since our annual lunch last November, it has also been a 'big year' that has seen many changes for our sector.

One of those changes is that I will indeed be signing off today. Including today, I will have been on this stage for twelve successive annual lunches.

Before Italk about many of the positives about our sector's performance, I do want to acknowledge at the outset our huge disappointment at learning that an occupational disease that we thought was confined to the past has been re-identified amongst some members of the coal workforce, current and retired.

I am of course referring to Coal Workers Pneumoconiosis or CWP. I can report though that industry has not shirked its responsibility to support our workers, current and retired, and to be very much part of the solution. This includes calling on government to move quickly to fix some apparent gaps in workers compensation support for CWP victims.

No industry sector is more fundamental to the future of Queensland than resources. It is no secret however that we have moved onto a new chapter.

Our sector is moving out of a record period of capital expenditure. We are now settling into a more normal phase where operational expenditure dominates.

While moving from CAPEX to OPEX doesn't sound that exciting it does mean our sector is delivering new record production volumes.

I'll remind you of some of the massive achievements from our sector over the past twelve months.

 $Queens land is now exporting gas from all three of the Curtis \\ Is land LNG plants and from all six trains.$

Coal exports from Queensland reached a new record level in 2015-16

We have seen the restart of the Isaac Plains coking coal mine - could their timing have been any better?

Soon we will see the re-opening of the Collinsville and Blair Athol coal mines.

New copper producer CuDeco has commenced exports of copper concentrate from its mine in North West Queensland.

And of course ladies and gentlemen – while I'm not Nostradamus and can't predict how long it will last – how good are some of those commodity prices? Zinc on the rise and a recent comeback by copper.

And who would have thought thermal coal would be over \$110/tonne and coking coal over \$300/tonne.

This time last year I was being asked earnestly what I think lies ahead for Queensland's resource sector. Did the sector have a long term future?

My response always included the reassurance that there is no viable substitute for coking coal in the production of blast furnace steel.

There is no 'Uber' process waiting in the wings and steel use per capita is one of the hallmarks of an advanced economy.

Our Premier gets that point, which is why this week she is visiting JFE Steel in Japan.

I also acknowledge that we all would like to think that cleaner energy sources can supply our global energy needs in quick time. However, according to the International Energy Agency, the world will continue to use coal, gas and uranium to produce electricity for decades to come.

Looking out to 2040, Asian demand for gas will grow by 160 per cent, India will be the world's largest importer of coal, China's use of coal will be three times that in the year 2000, new coal-fired power plants will overwhelmingly use high efficiency technology, and Australia will supply two-thirds of the seaborne trade in coking coal.

In short, Asia wants what Queensland's resources sector has to sell. So yes, our high energy coal has a strong future in supplying affordable electricity and in producing steel. Our gas will be much sought after for power, heating and manufacturing processes, both here in Australia and in Asia.

In fact all of our commodities – our alumina and bauxite, copper, gold, lead, mineral sands, silver and zinc, will remain in demand while ever people want to enjoy the many facets of their everyday lives.

Take a look around this room. Can I remind you - everything in this room that is not grown comes from resources.

This year the QRC board decided we should build on an educational campaign we launched last year comprising a series a graphics that illustrated everyday products such as smartphones and fridges and the resources they contain. We called it the 'Did You Know' campaign.

Ironically-lots of people "Didn't Know". Our research showed that people just don't get the basics. But our research also showed that once we educated them – their support of our sector, skyrocketed.

Therefore, in what was I believe a first for any resources sector anywhere in the world, our board approved an innovative, educational campaign to engage the community.

The QRC's Resourcing Innovation campaign, which we launched at the end of August and has been featured on the big screens behind me, highlights a couple of fundamental truths.



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That we would not enjoy the luxuries we have today were it not for the fruits of our sector. It also shows that we couldn't have innovation without our sector – an idea would remain just that without our products to bring them to life.

The campaign shows that we cannot have key renewable energy infrastructure such as wind turbines, solar panels or electric cars without resources.

There is no big switch that you flick that turns off fossil fuels and turns on renewables. While most of the population aspires for a lower-emission future, the fact is, resources are an integral part of that future. If, one day, energy in Queensland is supplied by 100 percent renewables, you will still need our sector to build them.

At the QRC we say that it's not a case of fossil fuels or renewables – it's a case of fossil fuels AND renewables.

Much to our surprise, our green activist opponents have remained unusually quiet about our campaign. But I guess it's hard to argue with facts.

But rest assured that green activists will continue to wage a well-funded campaign against our sector. And courtesy of Wikileaks we have confirmation that the activists' campaigns in Australia receive generous funding from a wide range of rich-listers in the USA.

Perhaps the new Trump administration will take a close look at the role played by US-based foundations – with strong Democrat connections - in bank-rolling the disruption of the Australian coal industry.

For many people in the south-east of our State, minerals and energy production is something that happens somewhere else and appears on face value to be of no benefit to them or their families.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Every Queenslander – regardless of where they call home – has a vested interest in seeing our minerals and energy industries succeed and grow.