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The Hon Steven Marshall MP
Premier of South Australia

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Dear Dr Butlin,

As you would be aware, my government is committed to supporting South Australians to manage the cost of living.

My government has been exploring options to increase transparency of fuel prices and support South Australians to access information that would enable them to take advantage of the cheapest prices.

To assist our work, I ask that the Commission investigate and report on potential models that would increase transparency of fuel prices and enable customers to make informed choices when purchasing fuel, having regard to:

- a) the net benefits and effectiveness of models used in other jurisdictions, including the real-time fuel pricing scheme in New South Wales and the 24-hour price locking mechanism in Western Australia
- b) current regulatory arrangements for fuel pricing in South Australia and how alternative models compare
- c) the most cost-effective solution to increase transparency in fuel prices in South Australia.

It is recognised that the cost of fuel is influenced by many factors, including overseas and local market forces.

The commissioned report detailing the outcomes of the investigation is to be provided to me no later than three months after receipt of this letter. Per the *Department of the Premier and Cabinet Circular 046 – The South Australian Productivity Commission* relevant agency staff will be made available to the Commission to support it in undertaking this investigation.

I thank you and the Commission in advance for your efforts in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Steven Marshall'.

Hon Steven Marshall MP
PREMIER OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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