1. The *ClimateQ* strategy is the most comprehensive climate change response of any state or territory, and builds on the early work delivered under the *ClimateSmart 20*50 and *Climate Smart Adaptation Plan 2007-12*, an Australian first on adaptation policy.
2. The proposed approach for Queensland Government departments to report energy use and carbon emissions will extend the Queensland Government’s commitment to climate change and aligns with the principles of reducing carbon emissions and lowering the costs of business, in particular Government business, in a low carbon economy.
3. The proposal outlines the first stage of effective energy and carbon management which is to ‘measure’ energy use and carbon emissions.
4. Further stages of energy and carbon management are to:
* pursue reduction targets;
* avoid or minimise energy use and emissions;
* purchase renewable energy; and
* offset remaining emissions.
1. All Queensland Government departments have a role to play in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and lowering their business costs.
2. To effectively meet the Queensland Government’s greenhouse gas emissions targets and capitalise on potential energy efficiency savings, all departments need to manage and report their energy and carbon data in a consistent and transparent way.
3. Cabinet approved in principle that Queensland Government departments develop inventories of their scope 1 and scope 2 emissions consistent with the Commonwealth Government’s *National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Act 2007* (Cth.), as a step towards improving their energy efficiency and reducing carbon emissions.
4. *Attachments*
* Nil.