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CONFERENCE RESOLUTION AND COMMUNIQUÉ

The World Wind Energy Association (WWEA), in association with the Renewable Energy Generators of Australia (REGA), acknowledges and welcomes the presence of those 300 delegates attending this Conference from wind and associated renewable energy technologies. The interests involved include all those occupied with sustainable wind, solar and hydro technology development, design, manufacture, operation and implementation.

This Conference has recognised two basic themes.

The first is the importance of integrating all the renewables to achieve the best resource and efficiency as well as the continued strength which comes from associating three of the major technologies: wind, solar and hydro and their international industry associations in the International Renewable Energy Alliance (IREA). WWEA renews its commitment to IREA and the joint representation which it provides at the highest international levels, including the forthcoming COP 11, REN 21 and the Beijing International Renewable Energy Conference.

A further major theme has been the importance of technology transfer achieved while respecting the intellectual property rights involved in such transfer. The Conference recognised that North - South, South - South and South – North cooperation is essential to achieving these objectives along with the objectives of the Millennium Development Goals.

The Conference welcomes the strength of the commitment demonstrated through the announcement made by the Victorian Premier, the Hon Steve Bracks, when opening the Conference. Reinforced by the Minister for Energy, the Hon Theo Theophanous, this leadership position comes at an important time to continue to build a vibrant Australian industry.

The Conference further recognises the support of the national and international governments supporting the Conference, and applauds their continued support and vision for the renewable energy industry, in particular the wind industry. The Conference

endorses the goal of further and sustained development of global deployment of wind energy technologies.

The Conference notes with acclaim the outcomes of the G8 Summit, and the acknowledgement of the causes of global warming and the role of renewable energy in halting and reversing that process. The commitments made by the G8 members are significant to the future of the world and its population. The Conference urges those governments participating in the Asia Pacific Partnership on Clean Development and Climate to utilise this developing framework to leverage greater support for renewable energy to promote energy security and a cleaner environment.

The Conference notes strong support for the International Energy Agency (IEA), and its commitment to renewable energy technologies and the role which they can play in sustainable development. The Conference, while welcoming the new IEA projection given to the Conference, that cost reduction in renewable energy technologies will see them fully competitive with other forms of generation by 2020, expresses its confidence that wind generation will achieve this objective well prior to that date, even in a pricing regime which ignores externalities.

The Conference confirms that the global wind energy industry must facilitate strong cooperation and cohesion between associations, industry, governments and communities to succeed in continuing to grow the renewable energy industry to capitalise on the very significant opportunities for jobs growth, exports and economic activity, and encourages government leadership and vision in the creation of market environments that, most appropriately, in each type of society, economy and environment, sustain development in the renewable energy industry to the benefit of all mankind.

The Conference further recognises that governments, industry, communities and investors require consistent and compelling drivers to ensure sustainable growth and rapid uptake of wind energy technologies on a global scale, and that, implicit within this growth, is the need for industry competitiveness and long-term independence.

In addition to this, and in the pursuit of renewable energy resources, the Conference resolves to pursue the following objectives, policies and actions:

1. Remove all subsidies and enforce the internalisation of all externalities to achieve a level playing field;
2. Until this is achieved, pursue compensatory regulatory frameworks that encourage renewable energy developments, and that provide sufficient financial security to promote long-term investment
3. Increased interaction of global networks and alliances that contribute to greater cooperation and prioritisation between renewable energy technologies, accompanied by a new independent international authority as proposed by the World Council on Renewable Energies (WCRE);
4. Financial and technological support, through institutions such as the World Bank, Asia Development Bank and other international and national organisations, and for

developing nations to facilitate the greater uptake of sustainable and renewable energy technologies, through new dedicated institutions and funds;

5. The adoption of, and support for, the WWEA Sustainability and Due Diligence Guidelines;
6. To note that the next World Wind Energy Conference will be held in Bombay, India in November 2006 and to encourage all members of the Associations, others involved in wind power development, operation and financing as well as the exhibitors to further the cause of wind power development and the expansion of the role of Renewable Energy by participating in the Bombay Conference.

Finally, this Conference resolves to continue its commitment to working for the alleviation of world poverty and other Millennium Development Goals as a means of achieving these fundamental objectives.

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