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Hon Stephen Jones MP  
Assistant Treasurer and Minister for Financial Services  
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Dear Assistant Treasurer and Minister for Financial Services

**Australian Government 2025-26 Pre-Budget Submission**

The Australian Marine Oil Spill Centre (AMOSC) welcomes the opportunity to provide a submission during the consultation process for the Australian Government Budget 2025-26.

As Australia advances towards its long-term plan to reduce emissions, sustainable cleaner energy strategies have remained at the forefront of global climate discussion. Advancements in industry innovation and evolving government policies in 2024 demonstrate how rapidly the energy and maritime landscape can shift. These changes bring new and increased risks for response agencies, therefore requiring enhanced preparedness, collaboration and cooperation.

As the Australia Government and energy industry continue collaboration towards a secure and successful net zero emissions future, the coexistence of traditional energy operations with emerging clean technologies have become common place. A comprehensive spill response strategy is critical to mitigating risks and maintaining public trust during the energy transition.

Following the AMOSC 2024-25 Pre-Budget Submission, AMOSC encourages government to focus on strategic adjustments to policy and regulatory response arrangements. In particular, increased partnership between the Australian Government and industry around shared tactical response measures via innovative delivery solutions.

For further information please contact Ms Claire Daly, Senior Technical Officer, Policy and Advocacy on [amosc@amosc.com.au](mailto:amosc@amosc.com.au) or via 03 5272 1555 in the first instance. I look forward to our continued collaboration for the protection of the maritime environment.

Yours sincerely



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