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Dear Sir

Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP)

Queensland Sugar Ltd (QSL) supports the proposed Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement (TPP) tabled in Parliament on 9 February.

With QSL working for its grower and miller shareholders in the marketing of raw sugar exported, this new Agreement will provide for some new opportunities for our members in these important markets, which represent over \$500 million annual sales.

Once the agreement enters into force, the TPP will secure additional market access for Australian sugar in the following key markets:

- Japan previously our largest export market. The TPP will again assist Australia to be competitive into this
 market again.
- USA secured additional access to the US import market which provides higher returns that the world market for our members.
- Canada previously a large market for Australian sugar, and closely linked to the US market.

Other markets that the TPP helps to secure additional access are:

- Mexico
- Vietnam
- Malaysia

QSL welcomes the agreement and encourages the Committee to recommend its adoption to Parliament.

Yours faithfully

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