



**Message  
from**

**His Excellency Dr Ken Michael, AC  
Governor of Western Australia**

**for  
The Petroleum Club  
Schools Information Program**

*The Schools Information Program (SIP) is a research-centred and designed education program to maximise student and teacher interaction with various aspects of the oil and gas industry.*

*The program is offered to Year 10 students throughout Western Australian schools and comprises teams of three to six students from each class. These students participate in research and produce a project describing the operations of the upstream petroleum industry to evaluate safety and environmental impact issues, and to show awareness of related career opportunities. The projects are then judged by an independent panel of industry experts.*

*Projects from the four winning schools from each term are then displayed to the public in the foyer of the Governor Stirling Tower during Education Week in October of each year. Not only do the participating schools have the opportunity to see their works on public display, but during the program the students also are exposed to many of the life skills that they will require as they work towards their chosen careers.*

*Such life skills include working in a team environment and being supportive of team members to achieve a well-presented project; meeting and greeting oil and gas representatives through visits to many of the industry facilities throughout Western Australia; having the opportunity to show their work to a broad range of prominent people and attending the grand final awards ceremony at Government House Ballroom.*

*In my capacity as Governor, I have previously attended the Grand Finals Awards Ceremony where the excited students have really appreciated the opportunity to be in contention for a range of valuable prizes donated by oil and gas companies operating in Western Australia.*

*I commend the strong commitment by local industry to this program which has been operating since 1991. I also would like to acknowledge the hard work by a large team of dedicated volunteers on the SIP Steering Committee who help make the program the success that it is today.*

*As Patron, I am very pleased to offer my support of the Petroleum Club of Western Australia's "Schools Information Program".*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ken Michael".

**GOVERNOR**