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Thank you for extending the deadline for comment on the above issue until the end of July 2012 so that we could consider the implications in depth.

TARFish is the government recognised, independent peak body for recreational marine fishers in Tasmania and our mission is to look after their interests.

Obviously our members and the broader recreational fishing community in Tasmania have a vested interest in this issue and are keen to understand the potential impacts and benefits in relation to impending legislation.

Following consultation with our representatives and delegates we would like to table the following comments for consideration on options for reducing emissions from non road spark ignition engines and equipment.

- TARFish support consideration of effective measures to reduce marine engine emissions which may include, but not limited to, encouragement of the use of four strokes and high pressure injection two strokes (except perhaps for smaller engines say less than 25 HP)
- Any cost increases resulting from new emission standards are reasonable and that there are no unjustified price increases for recreational fishers.
- Any incoming legislation must only cover new engines purchased after an implementation date in the future, i.e. is not retrospective. i.e. Current motors can still be used, sold etc.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into this important issue and request that we be kept informed as this matter develops.

Regards

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