Energy Management Policy

The University of Queensland acknowledges the importance of energy as a necessary resource for successfully meeting its operational objectives. The University also realizes the need to responsibly use this resource in a manner that is sustainable and complementary to The University of Queensland Environmental Policy.

In addressing this statement, The University of Queensland will:

- Incorporate energy efficiency measures, including alternative and emerging technologies, into all new and rehabilitated facilities through best practice in energy efficient design, the selection and sizing of plant and equipment, systems and other energy infrastructure.
- Maintain all plant and equipment, and control and manage systems and energy infrastructure in such a way as to minimise energy wastage.
- Monitor and report on The University’s energy consumption at micro and macro levels and identify and implement opportunities for improved energy minimisation.
- Promote awareness of the responsibility for energy conservation to faculties, schools, centres, divisions, sections and individuals.
- Pursue the use of renewable and alternate energy to supplement conventional energy sources.
- To meet our obligations as a member of the Global Community including legislative requirements and minimising environmental impact.
- Strive to procure, distribute and maintain energy resources at the lowest cost while addressing the items above.
- Offer, encourage and develop subjects, courses and research of energy sources, plant and equipment, systems and other energy infrastructure.

Faculties, Schools Centres and Divisions

The University of Queensland Business Units have a responsibility within their area of influence to:

- Purchase energy efficient plant and equipment.
- Consume energy responsibly.
- Ensure that every individual with in the Business Unit is aware of this policy and their responsibilities under it.
- Ensure that any third parties are accountable for the use of any energy supplied by the University of Queensland.
- Support, where appropriate, subjects, courses and research of energy sources, plant and equipment, systems and other energy infrastructure.
- Make available funding to meet their responsibilities under this policy.

Individuals

It is the personal responsibility of every member of the University Community to:

- Use energy in an efficient manner, including the operation of personal equipment and environment.
- Report any inefficient practices to the Property and Facilities Division.
- Comply with any policies and procedures for energy management university wide and in their local area.

Property and Facilities Division

Not excepting the responsibilities of a business unit, the Property and Facilities Division has the additional responsibilities of:

- Acquisition and supply of energy.
- Design and construction of new, and maintenance of existing, facilities and their fixed energy infrastructure.
- Monitoring and reporting of energy consumption.
- Identification, development and implementation of awareness programmes.