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## Background

- The Australian and New Zealand Governments have been exploring mitigation opportunities in Pacific Island Countries (PICs) for over 10 years.
- Studies found that appliance standards and labelling regulations in the PICs were possible and all PICs supported a test case in Fiji.
- The Fijian Cabinet has agreed to the necessary steps for regulating end-use equipment energy efficiency.



## **Progress to date**

- The Fijian Department of Energy is working towards implementing the standards and labelling regime in 2009.
- In October 2008 the Australian Government delivered training to retail staff and government officials.
- The Australian Government developed an Energy Smart Calculator to assist appliance retailers in Fiji communicate the advantages of purchasing energy efficient appliances to consumers.



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## **Progress to date**

- Currently the Fijian Government is finalising their legislation to enforce regulations at customs/border control
- Regulatory and compliance training for compliance and enforcement officers is planned for 2009.
- At a February 2009 Pacific Islands Greenhouse Gas Abatement through Renewable Energy Project (PIGGAREP) meeting in New Zealand many other Pacific Island Countries indicated an interest in participating in such a program



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## Where to next

- A phased expansion approach has been proposed by the Australian Government and have supported a Pacific Islands Applied Geoscience Commission (SOPAC) proposal in the REEEP 7th Funding Round to expand the program to include Vanuatu and Samoa.
- The results of this 7th funding round should be advertised on the REEEP website shortly.