



**Quinn Building Products Limited response to
Consultation on NIAUR Forward Work Programme
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Quinn Building Products Limited welcomes the opportunity to respond to this consultation on NIAUR's Forward Work Programme for 2010-2011. We wish to comment specifically in relation to Action Ref. 9 ("Review adequacy of rural quality of supply") on page 18 of the consultation paper.

Quinn Building Products Limited is an indigenous manufacturing company with significant operations in a rural location in County Fermanagh. As such, it is well-positioned to comment on the adequacy of rural quality of supply and also, the relevant statutory and regulatory provisions.

The availability of adequate electricity supply and infrastructure is essential to support indigenous manufacturing and the development of the local economy in general. It is therefore appropriate for NIAUR to ensure that the provision of this service in rural areas is such that it does not inhibit economic development and does not discriminate against local manufacturing companies by virtue of their location.

With the above points in mind, it is clear that any policy review should not be limited to a technical analysis of electrical parameters relating to quality of supply. It should also consider the statutory and regulatory framework in relation to the ongoing development of rural networks, including the post-SEM connection charging principles.

Quinn Building Products Limited commends the inclusion of this action item in the NIAUR's Forward Work Programme and believes that it provides scope to address an important issue for indigenous manufacturing and economic development in rural areas.