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Southern Oil/Northern Oil is a 100 per cent privately owned Australian company operating two waste oil refinery facilities in Wagga Wagga (NSW) and Gladstone (QLD) - refining over 400,000 litres of waste oil a day into A grade base oil. The development of world leading processes in this field led to investments into, and the opening of, Australia's first Advanced Biofuels Laboratory and Biofuels Pilot Plant in Gladstone. On 2 March 2018, the Qld Minister for Environment and Science announced that Southern Oil had successfully processed 4 types of waste streams into renewable crude. The crude was then refined into 100 per cent drop in fuel (certified ASTM-No 2 quality diesel). The diesel ran a bobcat and an irrigation pump.

As well as leading government and regulatory processes for Southern Oil, Troy is the Managing Director of BPRS Pty Ltd - a company that specialises in regulatory and operational safety training for government front line services, as well as providing strategic advice for industry wishing to successfully engage with government. Prior to his current roles, Troy had 23 years as a senior bureaucrat - in environment, natural resource management, water, mines, planning, justice and transport portfolios. Troy also had an unusual 'sabbatical' - a 3 year stint as a Chief of Staff for the Environment and Heritage portfolio. Other interests include being Chair, Qld Advisory Council, Greening Australia, and assisting the Ronald McDonald House charity.