



Energy Safe Victoria

Corporate Plan

2025 – 28

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Acknowledgement of country

Energy Safe Victoria acknowledges and respects Victorian Traditional Owners as the original custodians of Victoria's land and waters, their unique ability to care for Country and deep spiritual connection to it. We honour Elders past and present whose knowledge, and wisdom has ensured the continuation of culture and traditional practices.

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About this plan

The Victorian Energy Safety Commission is established under the *Energy Safe Victoria Act 2005* (The Act) and is known as Energy Safe Victoria (Energy Safe). Energy Safe is Victoria's independent safety regulator for electricity, gas and pipelines. Our role is to ensure Victorian gas and electricity industries – including the renewable energy sector – operate safely.

The Act requires Energy Safe to submit a corporate plan for approval to the Minister for Energy and Resources and Treasurer by 31 May each year.

The plan includes:

- **Energy Safe's statement of corporate intent**, which specifies Energy Safe's strategic goals, objectives, the nature and scope of its activities (including performance targets and measures), the applicable accounting policies, financial statements and other matters agreed between the Minister and Energy Safe.
- **Energy Safe's statutory functions** for regulating the safety of gas, electricity and pipelines, the Minister's Statement of Expectations and broader government initiatives and policy.

Energy Safe's annual report provides the Victorian Parliament and the community with information about Energy Safe's regulatory activities, outcomes and outputs and its financial results each financial year. The annual report is produced in accordance with the *Financial Management Act 1994*.



Message from the Victorian Energy Safety Commission



The Victorian Energy Safety Commission is pleased to present our Corporate Plan for 2025-2028. This plan outlines our strategic direction over the next 3 years, reaffirming our commitment to protecting the community and enabling safe and reliable energy systems as Victoria transitions to a net-zero future.

Energy safety is not static. As such, we need to prioritise our regulatory focus where there is the greatest potential for harm in the domains we regulate. These priorities evolve with new technologies, changing consumer behaviours and increasingly complex energy systems. Our role is to adapt our regulatory approach and responses to the changing risk landscape and to hold industry and industry participants to account. We also need to support the Victorian community to play their part in managing energy safety.

Our corporate plan is aligned to and supports our strategy. Our priorities and the goals we intend to achieve across the domains we regulate reflect the trends and challenges we face in a transitioning energy system.

This plan also reflects our enduring accountability to government, industry and the Victorian community we serve. We are committed to transparency in our decision-making, in how we measure success and are adaptable in how we deliver on our responsibilities.

Thank you to our dedicated team and our stakeholders whose insights continue to shape our work. Together, we will continue to work towards keeping Victorians energy safe, ensuring energy can be used confidently, whilst protecting our built environment and natural environment.

Monique Conheady
Commissioner and Chair
30 May 2025

Michelle Groves
Commissioner and Deputy Chair
30 May 2025

Sarah McDowell
Commissioner
30 May 2025

Message from the Chief Executive Officer

This corporate plan sets out our strategic direction, statutory operations and budget to realise our corporate intent, which is to prioritise our regulatory focus where there is the greatest potential for harm. We are committed to preventing death, serious injuries, loss of property, and environmental damage related to the supply and use of energy so that Victorians have confidence in safe and reliable energy.

We have identified trends in the energy industry that have informed the challenges we face as the energy safety regulator in Victoria. From 2025, we have established very clear goals across the domains we regulate to address these challenges. We have also set measures to provide indicators of our progress.

Our regulatory focus and priorities seek to tackle the greatest risk to people, property and the environment across the energy value chain. Through this work we expect all energy generators to understand their safety obligations and for that to be demonstrated through their management of risk. We expect network duty holders to be planning and responding to climate change, so they have safer and more resilient networks.

There is need for a growing and skilled electrical workforce in Victoria. We will support this through fit-for-purpose professional development and easy-to-use systems. We intend to review the apprenticeship pathway, help reduce barriers to completion, ensure apprentices are well supported and improve apprentice safety.

We will also raise awareness and improve behaviours in relation to energy safety risks in the home and community. The community also need assurance that the equipment and appliances they purchase for use are safe. We intend to tackle risks in the supply chain to ensure sure that equipment supplied is verified as safe.

The *Energy and Land Legislation Amendment (Energy Safety) Act 2025* has been passed by the Victorian Parliament. It strengthens our regulatory powers, including higher penalties for certain offences and provides us with greater flexibility to manage key responsibilities in the future. We will continue to be a trusted and influential voice to government and other regulators on energy safety issues, policy and legislative reform to support economic growth and the energy transition.

We will continue to improve our internal capability, enhance our service provision and seek to become a more adaptable regulator, including looking at more effective allocation of our resources. To keep pace with the energy transition, we will invest in our people through learning and development and the rollout of an enterprise competency framework, ensuring we support safe outcomes for the Victorian community. Energy Safe has now moved into a new single office in Southbank. Having one location has brought staff together, promoted collaboration and improved our ways of working.

Our regulatory approach, introduced in this plan, provides a clear message regarding our expectations and signals the standards, behaviours and outcomes expected of those we regulate and the community. It also sets expectations of how we intend to regulate in a changing energy landscape. Our approach and responses are tailored to the risks, maturity and changing needs of the domains we regulate. We aim to be consistent and transparent in our decision-making and also with how we engage with our stakeholders and the community.

I commend this corporate plan to you.



Leanne Hughson

Chief Executive Officer
30 May 2025

We are Energy Safe. Always.

Our vision, purpose, values and regulatory approach

Our vision

A future where Victorians and the environment are supported by safe and reliable energy.

We are powering towards an energy future that is sustainable for all Victorians and our climate. We need energy safety systems so Victorians can continue to use energy for many generations.

We also need energy systems to be modern and reliable, so our families, towns, cities and lands are kept safe.

Our purpose

We keep Victorians energy safe and ensure energy is used confidently.

Energy is essential to our quality of life. Energy technologies can be complex and powerful, and the potential for harm is significant to our community and the environment.

We regulate to ensure that energy safety, supply and efficiency are a priority in Victoria and something our community can be confident in.



Our values

We expect our people to express our values in day-to-day actions, decisions and interactions with others.

Integrity

We act with impartiality and uphold the importance of unbiased, equitable treatment. We do this in a way that is transparent, accountable, open and trustworthy.

Engagement

We actively engage with our customers and each other to achieve safer outcomes. We believe in cooperation, listening and succeeding together to improve safety outcomes.

Adaptability

We are flexible and maintain effectiveness in the face of changing environments. We know that improving energy safety for Victorians means being on the forefront of change.

Respect

We treat everyone with respect and uphold the importance of diversity, experience and skills. We care about the safety of Victorians and demonstrate respect through our actions.

Excellence

We aspire to the best standards of practice by ensuring an evidence-based approach to our work. We strive to excel in our capability to deliver safety outcomes. .

Our regulatory approach

We are an efficient, effective and outcomes-driven regulator. We proactively set expectations and encourage safe energy practices. We seek to reduce harm and target non-compliance through risk-based and data-informed approaches. Our approach and responses are tailored to the risks, maturity and changing needs of the domains we regulate. We are consistent in our decision-making and engagement with stakeholders and the community.

Our key performance indicators

Our key performance indicators measure the effectiveness of Energy Safe delivering on our purpose and objectives over time. They help support decisions on interventions and actions to improve community safety, financial performance, regulatory operations and people outcomes. These are reported in our annual report, which is publicly available on our website.

Key performance indicators	Targets
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Community fatality and serious injury outcomes	Zero fatalities and serious injuries in the community.
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Number of ground fire incidents	Maintain the number of ground fire incidents below seasonally adjusted predictions based on weather conditions.
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Maintain financial viability and public value outcomes	• Year-end cash balance (Target greater than \$5 million) • Year-end net equity balance (Target greater than \$3.6 million) • Full-year operating result (Target – Commission approved budget result) • Monitor current ratio greater than 1.0.
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Serious injuries or fatalities of Energy Safe employees	Target zero serious injuries or fatalities of Energy Safe employees.
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Our progress and reporting

Our progress against the Minister for Energy and Resources' Statement of Expectations, key performance indicators, our priorities and other regulatory activity will be detailed through:

- routine reporting to the Minister for Energy and Resources and the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action
- Energy Safe's annual report, tabled in parliament and published every year on our website
- safety and technical reports published on our website
- Energy Safe management reporting, tracking progress against key performance indicators, priorities and other performance measures.

Our operating environment

Statement of Expectations

The Minister for Energy and Resources, the Hon. Lily D'Ambrosio, issued Energy Safe a revised Statement of Expectations on 29 June 2023. It is effective from 30 June 2023 until it is superseded. The Statement of Expectations outlines the Minister's priorities for Energy Safe's administration and enforcement of regulation including:

- Efficient and effective delivery of risk-based and proportionate regulatory action to protect workers and the community, and promote regulatory compliance without imposing a disproportionate cost burden on consumers.
- Energy safety at home, including domestic solar installations, lithium-ion batteries, gas appliances and regulate the safety of gas disconnection services.
- Acting on bushfire risk mitigation plans through audits of bushfire mitigation plans and implementing the recommendations of the Rapid Earth Fault Current Limiters (REFCL) Functional Performance Review.
- Supporting the Victorian Government in a review of the regulatory and licensing requirements for renewable energy systems to ensure they support the uptake of emerging technologies without impacting worker and community safety.
- Identify emerging safety trends and risks in relation to renewable energy infrastructure and emerging technologies, respond to new and reformed legislative and regulatory developments and set clear expectations with industry on regulatory compliance.
- In the heightened cybersecurity environment, have cyber risk management procedures in place meeting the requirements of the Office of the Victorian Information Commissioner.
- Continue to provide efficient, high-quality compliance assistance and advice that reflects the best national industry standards and practice.
- Pursuing operational efficiencies to minimise expenses and the cost burden on consumers.



Trends influencing our priorities

We are operating in an evolving energy landscape, influenced by external trends and emerging risks. Recognising the need to effectively prepare for and respond to these dynamic conditions, we are positioned to prioritise the primary energy safety challenges and be adaptable to the energy transition.

Trend	Description
Climate change and asset resilience	• Climate change is a key trend influencing the energy transition. Extreme weather events are increasing in frequency and severity, resulting in bushfire and floods. These factors are putting additional stress on infrastructure and assets, resulting in increased safety risks and asset failures. • In response to climate change, the Victorian Government has recently set revised renewable energy targets to reach net-zero by 2045. The renewable energy sector is experiencing significant growth to meet these targets.
Changing energy system	• Energy systems in Victoria are responding to climate change by transitioning to renewable energies, such as wind, solar, hydropower and renewable gases, such as hydrogen and bio-methane. • Consumer energy generation and new forms of energy storage are also emerging. The energy system is becoming more complex with energy increasingly generated from renewable and decentralised sources, such as home solar systems.



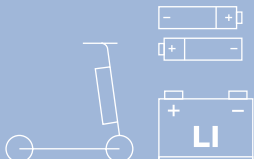
Our domains and challenges

Energy Safe has regulatory responsibility for a range of industry sectors and stakeholder groups. This broad remit extends over 5 key regulatory domains across the energy value chain. These domains are the key areas in which we work. Another domain is an enabler and relates to our internal capability, our regulatory framework and working with other government agencies and regulators.

The demands on Energy Safe are changing with the transitioning energy industry landscape. The combination of the energy transition, climate change, heightened community expectations, fiscal pressure and the need to be a more adaptable regulator, provide the backdrop against which we need to address challenges across our domains.



Domain challenges to address in a changing energy landscape

Domains	Description	Domain Challenges
Energy generators 	Energy generators include the operators and owners that produce energy. This includes renewable generation, coal and gas generation and biogas production.	- There are many new entrants into the energy generator sector, introducing new, varied and complex technologies. - The safety skills of the energy generator sector vary, and they might not match the level of risk these systems can create for the community.
Energy networks 	Energy networks include companies involved in the transmission and distribution of electricity and gas.	- Communities increasingly expect energy network operators to improve how they manage safety and maintain equipment to reduce risks, such as bushfires. - There is a need for network resilience capability to withstand stresses and adapt to changing environmental conditions.
Licensed workers 	Licensed practitioners include licensed and registered individuals undertaking electrical work, including tradespeople and inspectors.	- Licensed workers need to have the right skills to match the increasing complexity of modern energy systems. - Victoria needs an increase in skilled and licensed workers to support the transformation of its energy system.
Equipment and appliances 	Equipment and appliance manufacturers and distributors include individuals or companies manufacturing, supplying and retailing goods that require electricity or gas. Goods can receive energy directly from electrical or gas mains, gas bottles, be battery-operated or require charging.	- Equipment and appliances and their supply chains are becoming more complex and difficult to regulate as the online market continues to grow. - New equipment and appliance technologies are being developed faster than current standards can keep up, making it harder to ensure they are safe to install and use.
Community 	The community domain includes stakeholders, such as householders who purchase products and consume or generate energy.	- The growing variety and complexity of equipment and appliances in the home is changing how safety risks need to be managed. - Community can access and buy equipment and appliances that may be unsafe to use.
Cross-cutting (across all domains) 	The cross-cutting domain works across our 5 regulatory domains. It also relates to our internal capability, our regulatory framework and working with other agencies and regulators.	- Our regulatory framework, which enables effective regulation, has not kept pace with the energy transition. - The rapid change in the industry and increased complexity requires better coordination with other regulators.

Our corporate intent, goals and priorities

Our corporate intent

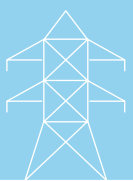
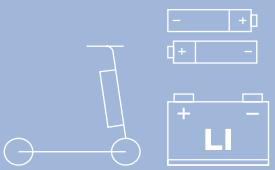
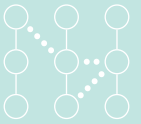
Our 2025-28 strategy statement

Energy Safe prioritises our regulatory focus where there is the greatest potential for harm. We are committed to preventing death, serious injuries, loss of property and environmental damage so Victorians have confidence in safe and reliable energy.



Our strategic goals and measures

Our domain goals, and corresponding measures, aim to keep Victorians energy safe and ensure energy is used confidently, while moving Victorians closer to an energy future where the community and the environment are supported by safe and reliable energy.

Domains	Our 2025-28 goals	Measures of success
Energy generators 	By 2028, all generators know who we are, what we expect of them and proactively manage risk.	• Increase in the substantive awareness of the role and functions of Energy Safe among generators. • Decrease in the number of incidents.
Energy networks 	By 2028, network duty holders are planning and responding to externalities including climate change, so they have safer and more resilient networks.	• Increase in safety cases demonstrating planning and response to extreme weather events. • Increase in network duty holders who can demonstrate climate change modelling OR scenarios.
Licensed workers 	By 2028, we are supporting a growing and skilled workforce through fit-for-purpose professional development and easy-to-use systems.	• Increase in Continuing Professional Development completion rates. • Increase in Certificates of Electrical Safety (COES) compliance rates. • Decrease in incidents involving licensed workers.
Equipment and appliances 	By 2028, only equipment and appliances that are safe by design and for use are supplied to consumers.	• Decrease in serious incidents with equipment/appliances, for example, property fires. • Increase in Electrical Equipment Safety System (EESS) registrations.
Community 	By 2028, people have improved awareness and behaviours in relation to energy safety risks in the home and community.	• Increase in the percentage of the surveyed community who understand the top 5 energy safety risks in the home. • Increase in inbound inquiries and reports from community.
Cross-cutting (across all domains) 	By 2028, we are a trusted and influential voice to government and other regulators on energy safety issues and policy, to support economic growth and the energy transition.	• Increase in policy and legislative changes that improve the ability to function as a modern regulator. • Number of shared harms and risks managed with other regulators.

Our priorities

Our strategic programs and compliance and enforcement priorities are data and risk informed. Five of our programs focus on harm reduction in the domains we regulate and across the energy value chain. These programs seek to prevent death, serious injuries, loss of property and environmental damage. The benefits of these programs will ensure Victorians have continued confidence in safe and reliable energy.

Our 3 enabling programs, in the cross-cutting domain, will support safety outcomes by providing expert advice to government on legislative reform, improving our internal capability, support us in becoming a more adaptable regulator and enhancing our service provision. They will also help inform the best allocation of our resources.

Our strategic programs by domain

We will plan and deliver 8 programs of work over the next 3 years in pursuit of our strategic goals. These programs will also support the achievement of our measures of success and address our domain challenges.

Domains	Our 2025-28 programs
Energy generators	Energy generators program
Energy networks	Energy networks uplift and resilience program
Licensed workers	Licensed workers competency uplift program
	COES enhancement program
Equipment and appliances	Safety at home program
Community	Safety at home program
Cross-cutting	Legislation reform program
	Capability uplift program
	Service first program

Our compliance and enforcement priorities

Our compliance and enforcement priorities are aligned to our 5 regulatory domains and priority programs within those domains. They relate to where the greatest potential for harm and the most significant risk is occurring within those domains and across the energy value chain. Our compliance and enforcement priorities will be made available on our website.

The [*Energy Safe Compliance and Enforcement Policy*](#) sets out our approach to how we promote and enforce compliance with Victoria's energy safety legislative framework.

Achieving compliance is the responsibility of regulated entities. We will support regulated entities in achieving compliance through various activities.

Our compliance and enforcement approach aims to:

- rectify unsafe situations and prevent harms wherever possible
- remediate non-compliances and identification of root causes
- penalise offenders for proven misconduct
- deter offenders and others from future non-compliant conduct
- meet community expectations and prosecute offenders in the public interest.

Core regulatory activity

This part details the outcome measures for our core regulatory activities, across the domains we regulate. Activities and performance measures are reviewed annually as part of the annual planning process and are amended to reflect changes in our operating environment. Our regulatory activities need to be adaptable to accommodate unforeseen events and incidents, while also allowing focus to be maintained on our priorities.

Regulatory outcome measures aligned to domains

Energy generators

Regulatory outcome measures

- maintain fatality and serious injury targets of zero across all energy generation sources
- reduce incident trends across all energy generation sources
- reduction in electrical equipment and installation fires across all energy generation and storage sources
- reduction in major non-compliances across all energy generation sources
- reduction in unsafe findings from site inspections
- Voluntary Electrical Safety Management Schemes (VESMSs) submissions address key risks prior to acceptance.

Energy networks

Regulatory outcome measures

- maintain fatality and serious injury targets of zero across all energy networks, including electrical network, gas pipeline infrastructure, line clearance and powerline contact
- reduce incident trends across all energy networks, including powerline contact incidents
- maintain the number of ground fire incidents below seasonally adjusted predictions based on weather conditions
- Electrical Safety Management Schemes (ESMSs) submissions, gas safety cases and pipeline safety management plans address key risks prior to acceptance
- non-compliant vegetation identified and unsafe vegetation urgently cleared
- Bushfire Mitigation Plan (BMPs) audits identify a reduction in non-compliance.

Licensed workers

Regulatory outcome measures

- maintain fatality and serious injury targets of zero for licensed workers and apprentices
- reduction in incidents by licensed workers and apprentices
- increase in number of spotters registered
- increase percentage of apprentices that become licensed.

Equipment and appliances

Regulatory outcome measures

- number of unsafe equipment and appliances withdrawn from supply
- non-compliant general and renewable equipment and appliances identified and addressed
- consumers identify and report unsafe equipment and appliances.

Community

Regulatory outcome measures

- fatality and serious injury targets of zero related to electrical and gas equipment and installations in the community
- reduction in fires, serious injuries and property damage relating to electrical and gas equipment, appliances and installations
- reduction in incidents in the community from battery, solar and other renewable energy sources
- decrease in the number of incident reports through incident response channels
- reduction in the number of non-compliances from solar installation site inspections
- a measured increase in awareness through public education about energy-related risks and harms in the home and community.



Our funding model

Funding for 2025-28

Since our formation in 2005, our activities have been fully funded by a combination of fee-for-service income, licence fees and levies on the electricity, gas and pipeline industries. More recently, we have been called on to regulate the growing and diverse renewable energy sector.

Safety regulation costs are ultimately included in the prices paid by consumers of electricity and gas.

The Minister for Energy and Resources reviews and determines levies for industry every 2 years. Regulated fees and charges are reviewed and reset when they expire.

Our strategic financial objectives are to maintain:

- key financial viability ratios by ensuring we can pay our debts when they are due
- liquidity and cash viability to account for short-term uncertainties.

Budget 2025-26

We have budgeted revenue of \$83.3 million for 2025–26, comprising \$52.3 million in levies, \$25.8 million in fees, \$3.9 million in grants and \$1.2 million in other revenue.

Levy income is based on cost recovery principles informed by aggregate resourcing levels determined in this plan and approved by the Minister. This will increase rates by 12.26 per cent for the electricity industry and 8.04 per cent for the gas and pipelines industry from 2024-25 to 2025-26.

Total operating expenditure for 2025-26 is budgeted at \$83.8 million while capital expenditure is projected to be \$0.5 million.

As a result of the forecast budget, the projected cash balance at the end of the 2025-26 financial year will be \$15.9 million.



Approved fees and levies for 2025-26

Fees

The Monetary Units Act 2004 permits fees to be expressed in regulations in 'fee units'. Fee units are indexed on 1 July each year, which ensures they can be updated without the need for continual updates to regulations.

Electrical fees

Fees payable under the Electricity Safety (Registration and Licensing) Regulations 2020	
Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Electrical contractor application (42.52 fee units)	714.80
Licence application – Electrical worker (27.3 fee units)	458.90
Licence application – Electrical inspector and restricted electrical worker (42.52 fee units)	714.80
Licence application – Supervised worker licence (issued up to 3 years) (16.38 fee units)	275.30
Licence application – Switchgear worker (27.3 fee units)	458.90
Licence application – Line worker (27.3 fee units)	458.90
Licence renewal – Electrical worker (13.65 fee units)	229.50
Licence renewal – Electrical inspector and restricted electrical worker (20.42 fee units)	343.30
Licence renewal – Electrical contractor (20.42 fee units)	343.30
Licence renewal – Switchgear worker (13.65 fee units)	229.50
Licence renewal – Line worker (13.65 fee units)	229.50
Licence renewal – Electrician (Supervised) licence (ES) (13.65 fee units)	229.50
Licence renewal – Occupier Licence (O) (13.65 fee units)	229.50

Fees payable under the Electricity Safety (General) Regulations 2019

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Electronic Certificate of Electrical Safety form for prescribed electrical work (2.3 fee units)	38.70
Paper Certificate of Electrical Safety form for prescribed electrical work (2.5 fee units)	42.00
Periodic Certificate of Electrical Safety for relating to non-prescribed electrical work (57.0 fee units)	958.20
Any other electronic Certificate of Electrical Safety	9.00*
Any other paper Certificate of Electrical Safety	10.00*
Application for exemption under Installation Safety Regulation 401 (5.99 fee units) [#]	100.70

* Prescribed fees that are less than the value of one fee unit are not tied to the indexing formula set out under the Monetary Units Act 2004 but may still be increased on 1 July each year up to the value of the indexation formula.

[#] Exemptions charges are based on current fee units that apply for the financial year.

Fees payable under the Electricity Safety (Equipment Safety Scheme) Regulations 2019

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Application for a new certificate of suitability (60.0 fee units)	1,008.60
Application for a new certificate of suitability for equipment previously certified by Energy Safe Victoria (40.0 fee units)	672.40
Application for a variation of a certificate of suitability – change of name or model (17.0 fee units)	285.80
Application for renewal of certificate of suitability (17.0 fee units)	285.80
Application for renewal of certificate or Application for transfer of certificate of suitability (17.0 fee units)	285.80
Application for new certificate of conformity for electrical devices and luminaires (34.0 fee units)	571.50
Application for new certificate of conformity for electrical equipment (other than an electrical devices or luminaires) (51.0 fee units)	857.30
Application for a new certificate of conformity for electrical devices and luminaires previously certified by Energy Safe Victoria (23.0 fee units)	386.60
Application for a new certificate of conformity for electrical equipment previously certified by Energy Safe Victoria (other than an electrical devices or luminaires) (34.0 fee units)	571.50
Application for a variation of a certificate of conformity – change of name or model (17.0 fee units)	285.80
Application for renewal of certificate of conformity (17.0 fee units)	285.80
Application for transfer of certificate of conformity (17.0 fee units)	285.80

Annual fees payable under the Electricity Safety (Cathodic Protection) Regulations 2019

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Registration fee for an impressed current cathodic protection system with a total output up to and including 250 milliamperes (8.77 fee units)	147.40
Registration fee for an impressed current or galvanic anode cathodic protection system with a total output over 250 milliamperes and up to and including 2 amperes (21.95 fee units)	369.00
Registration fee for an impressed current or galvanic anode cathodic protection system with a total output over 2 amperes (49.57 fee units)	833.30

Annual fees payable under the Electricity Safety (Management) Regulations 2019

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Voluntary Electricity Safety Management Scheme (965 fee units per annum)	16,221.70

Gas fees**Annual fees payable for safety case applications made under sections 52, 53, and 54 of the Gas Safety Act are set out in the Gas Safety (Safety Case) Regulations 2018**

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Voluntary safety case (ss52, 53, 54 <i>Gas Safety Act 1997</i>) (1,007 fee units per annum)	16,927.70

Fees payable under the Gas Safety (Gas Installation) Regulations 2018, which relate to the acceptance of appliances and applications for exemptions from prescribed standards

Type	Fee (\$) 2025-26
Acceptance of appliance (s69 <i>Gas Safety Act 1997</i>) (51.0 fee units)	857.30
Application for exemption from standards (s72(3) <i>Gas Safety Act 1997</i>) (8.03 fee units)	135.00



Levies

Electricity levies

Determinations made by the Minister for Energy and Resources under section 8 of the *Electricity Safety Act 1998* require electricity distribution companies to pay specified amounts to us to cover the reasonable costs and expenses we incur fulfilling our regulatory functions. The following table sets out the levies, which are based on the number of customers in each electricity distribution area.

Company	Levy 2025-26 (\$)
Jemena Ltd	2,680,806.97
Citipower Pty Ltd	2,462,522.43
Powercor Australia Ltd	6,650,856.99
AusNet Asset Services Pty Ltd	5,764,076.06
United Energy Distribution Pty Ltd	5,034,187.14
Total	22,592,449.59

Gas levies – natural gas pipeline companies

Determinations made by the Minister for Energy and Resources under section 11 of the *Gas Safety Act 1997* require gas companies to pay specified amounts to us to cover the reasonable costs and expenses we incur fulfilling our regulatory functions.

Company type	Type	Name	Levy 2025-26 (\$)
Natural gas distribution companies	Fixed fee		18,347.08
	Natural gas distribution pipeline owned in Victoria		79.20 per kilometre
	Natural gas distribution pipeline domestic customers in Victoria	Australian Gas Networks Ltd AusNet Gas Services Pty Ltd Gas Networks Victoria Pty Ltd Multinet Gas Distribution Partnership	9.86 per customer
Natural gas transmission companies	Fixed fee		18,674.35
	Natural gas transmission pipeline owned in Victoria	APA SEA Gas (Mortlake) Pty Ltd and REST MPS Pty Ltd APA VTS Australia (Operations) Pty Ltd APT Management Services Pty Ltd (APA) Australian Gas Networks (Vic) Pty Limited APT Pipelines (SA) Pty Ltd (SESA Pipeline) Beach Energy (Bass Gas) Gas Pipelines Victoria Pty Ltd Jemena Gas Pipelines Holdings Pty Ltd (EGP and Vic Hub) LYB Operations and Maintenance Pty Ltd (Loy Yang B) Multinet Gas Distribution Partnership South East Australia Gas Pty Ltd SPI Networks (Gas)/ AusNet services Tasmanian Gas Pipeline Pty Ltd (TPG)	379.96 per kilometre

Gas levies – other gas entities

Determinations made by the Minister for Energy and Resources under section 11 of the Gas Safety Act require other gas companies, including those supplying liquid petroleum gas, to pay specified amounts to us.

Company type	Type	Name	Levy 2025-26 (\$)
LP or landfill company with direct or indirect customers of unreticulated LP Gas	2 to 1,000		7,131.60
	1,001 to 5,000		14,214.65
	5,001 to 10,000	Origin Energy LPG	35,606.09
	10,001 to 20,000	Supagas Pty Ltd	71,167.67
	20,001 to 50,000		142,286.92
	Over 50,000	Elgas Pty Ltd	355,694.29
LP or landfill gas company that operates a reticulated LP gas system or systems	Service fee	Energy Developments Ltd	12,317.54
Other declared gas companies (reticulated LPG)	Service fee		12,317.54
	2 to 1,000	Indigo Shire Council (Mt Buller) Mt Hotham Alpine Resort Elgas Ltd Elgas Ltd (Victorian LP Gas Reticulation Systems)	7,131.60
	1,001 to 5,000		14,214.65
	5,001 to 10,000		35,606.09
	10,001 to 20,000		71,167.67
	20,001 to 50,000		142,286.92
	Over 50,000		355,694.29

Gas levies – non-gas pipelines

Determinations made by the Minister for Energy and Resources under section 132A of the Pipelines Act require licensed pipeline companies to pay specified amounts to us.

Company type	Type	Name	Levy 2025-26 (\$)
Licensed pipeline companies	Fixed fee		17,746.43
	Licensed pipeline owned in Victoria	Air Liquide Australia Ltd	1049.34 per kilometre
		Australasian Solvents and Chemicals	
		Beach Energy Resources	
		Beach Energy (Operations) Limited	
		Beach Energy (Bass Gas)	
		BOC Ltd	
		BP Australia Pty Ltd	
		Amplitude Energy Pty Ltd	
		Amplitude Energy Pty Ltd (Minerva)	
		Elgas Reticulation	
		Esso Australia Pty Ltd	
		Incitec Pivot Ltd	
		Ixom Operations Pty Ltd	
		Mobil Refinery Australia	
		Qenos Pty Ltd	
		Somerton Pipeline Joint Venture	
		United Petroleum (Trafigura)	
		Viva Energy Australia Ltd	
		Viva Energy Australia Ltd (PLs 58, 59 and 60)	

Glossary

BMP	Bushfire management plan
COES	Certificate of Electrical Safety
ESMS	Electricity safety management scheme
EESS	Electrical equipment safety scheme
MEC	Major electricity company
REFCL	Rapid earth fault current limiters
VESMS	Voluntary electrical safety management scheme



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