

FN-25-22 Fortnightly report 7 November 2025

This report summarises items that may be of interest to the Minister for Energy and Associate Minister for Energy but do not require a formal briefing. Further information can be provided on request. Substantive items and decision papers will be provided by briefing.

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1. Upcoming publications

Finalised battery energy storage systems (BESS) roadmap	
Strategic outcome	Secure and resilient
Purpose	After considering stakeholder feedback, we have finalised the Authority's BESS roadmap. As discussed at our meeting on 23 October, the roadmap sets out the work we have underway for the next two years to help unlock the benefits of BESS for consumers, which includes helping deliver an affordable and reliable supply of electricity.
Action and timing	Publication: 11 November 2025

Publication of a new disconnections dashboard	
Strategic outcome	Affordable
Purpose	The Authority will publish a dashboard on disconnections information for non-payment and prepay customers running out of credit. This information will support a clearer understanding of compliance with Consumer Care Obligations and enable more informed policy decisions that benefit consumers. We will share a copy with your office the week prior to publication.
Action and timing	Publication: 17 November 2025

2. Consultation: Current and future

Consultation on collecting hedge market information	
Strategic outcome	Affordable
Purpose	The Authority will consult on collecting trading information for the standardised super-peak hedge contract. Currently this information is collected through an informal arrangement, which does not ensure continuity. This information will support price discovery and facilitate the Authority's monitoring of competition leading to better outcomes for consumers.
Action and timing	Consultation: 4 weeks, from 21 November to 19 December

Current consultation	Consultation period
Consumer mobility: Improving consumer bills and consumption and product data: Code amendment consultation	8 October - 12 November (billing) and 18 November (product data)
Maximising benefits from local electricity generation – export limits: Code amendment consultation	8 October - 19 November
Mandating half-hourly data use for smart meter reconciliation: Code amendment consultation	10 October - 21 November
Level Playing Field non-discrimination obligations: Code amendment consultation	14 October - 25 November
Establishing an emergency reserve scheme: Code amendment consultation	17 October - 14 November
Improving prudential security arrangements: issues and options paper	17 October - 28 November
Distributor rebates for peak grid injection and time-of-use retail pricing (TF 2ABC): Code amendment consultation	3 - 21 November (rebates); early - late November (pricing)
Consultation on collecting energy margin information: Code amendment consultation	6 November to early December 2025

Future consultation	Consultation period
Consultation on market arrangements for batteries: issues and options paper	11 November to 8 December

3. Update: Board-led Organisational Design Review of the Authority

- 3.1. On Monday a request for proposal (RFP) was published inviting proposals from experienced providers to design and deliver a transformative Organisational Design Review of the Electricity Authority.¹
- 3.2. This is a Board-led initiative to ensure the Electricity Authority is a future-fit, high-impact regulator and to strengthen the Electricity Authority's performance, efficiency, and regulatory excellence, taking into account the Government's response to the Frontier Review of Electricity Market Performance.
- 3.3. The RFP will close on Monday, 24 November. The Board intends to select a provider by Friday, 12 December and have an options report presented in February 2026. We'll keep you updated on progress throughout.

4. Update: Supporting Cabinet decisions by the end of the year on a Consumer Data Right for electricity

- 4.1. The Consumer Data Right (CDR) is a key input into the Authority's consumer mobility work to provide more choice, more control and better value for consumers.
- 4.2. We understand there is a delay in MBIE providing advice for a Cabinet decision seeking approval to draft regulations for an electricity designation under a CDR.
- 4.3. A Cabinet proposal was originally planned for October, but MBIE has advised us this will be delayed until the end of the year to work through stakeholder feedback and finalise design decisions.
- 4.4. A well-designed CDR will help scale the benefits of the Authority's work, creating an enabling and innovative data ecosystem to unlock innovation and lower prices.
- 4.5. Material delays to either the regulations for the electricity designation under the CDR, or its implementation, would affect how quickly consumers can benefit from our consumer mobility changes and other market innovations.
- 4.6. To help manage the potential impact to consumers, we are working closely with MBIE to support a Cabinet decision by the end of the year to create an integrated package for consumers.
- 4.7. This includes leading the design options for the data sharing model that will underpin the electricity CDR, finalising the costs and benefits of different approaches, and working to align the designation with our electricity data standardisation proposals.
- 4.8. Ahead of the CDR we are also continuing to deliver more immediate benefits for consumers through our consumer mobility work, including improvements to consumer bills, launching an enhanced comparison and switching service, and standardising electricity data.

¹ [GETS | Electricity Authority - Organisational Design Review of the Electricity Authority](#)

5. Upcoming Electricity Industry Participation Code 2010 amendments

5.1. The following Electricity Industry Participation Code amendments need to be presented to the House:

Tracking number	Name	Date made	Date of Gazette notification	Date in force	Due date for presentation to the House
EIPCA-25-0020	Instantaneous Cost Reserve Allocation	14 October 2025	22 October 2025	01 October 2026	On or before 12 November 2025
EIPCA-25-0021	Provision of Information to System Operator	23 October 2025	30 October 2025	1 December 2025	On or before 21 November 2025



