

Dear Electrical Safety Office,

Feedback on key issues identified in the review of the Electrical Safety Act 2002 Discussion Paper

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the review of the Electrical Safety Act 2002 Discussion Paper. has consulted internally to provide a consolidated response to the public consultation process.

The following preliminary comments are raised about the ten recommendations in the discussion paper:

- a. acknowledges the importance of revising and improving safety legislation to address technological change and relevant trends in industry.
- b. The recommendations made appear to be substantial in nature and should be consulted broadly with industry to ensure effective and proportional safety regulatory outcomes are achieved. A staged approach to introducing new requirements should be considered.
- c. Amendments to licensing should consider harmonizing requirements across states and territories whenever practical.
- d. Amendments regarding risk controls should leverage of existing Australian standards (such as the recently revised standards: AS AS/NZS 5139:2019 Electrical installations Safety of battery systems; and AS/NZS 4836:2023 Safe working on or near low-voltage and extra-low voltage electrical installations and equipment).

Further detailed feedback about all the recommendations in the Final Report will be provided prior to the close of consultation on 15 August 2023.



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