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INTRODUCTION

2017 has been a productive and busy year. There has been an increase (over previous years) in the registration of energy savings certificates (ESCs), submission of applications and conduct of audits. Based on your valued feedback, we updated several key guidance documents and streamlined our administrative processes.

Energy saving activities under the ESS are driving real transformation in the market. In the new year we look forward to working with all our stakeholders to bring about other changes that will enhance and improve the administration of the ESS.



OFFICE CLOSURE

Our office will be closed from 25 December 2017 to 5 January 2018

This will affect ESC registration for Accredited Certificate Providers in the ESS Registry as follows:

- ▼ ESC registration payments received during the closure period will be processed on **8 January 2018**, and
- ▼ implementation data submitted to the ESS Portal after 2pm on Friday **22 December 2017** will be processed on **8 January 2018**.

The ESS Portal, the ELT Portal and the ESS Registry will be available during the office closure period.



ESC REGISTRATION FEE

The ESC registration fee is increasing to \$0.84 per ESC on 1 January 2018. This means applications to register ESCs must be completed by 31 December 2017 for the \$0.82 ESC registration fee to apply. Critical activities to achieve this deadline are outlined below.

Before 2pm on 22 December 2017:

- ▼ Complete the Implementation Data Sheet.
- ▼ Login to the ESS Portal and upload the Implementation Data Sheet.
- ▼ If the upload is successful, the details of your submission will be entered into the ESS Registry and a reference number provided by email.

Before midnight on 31 December 2017:

- ▼ Log on to the ESS Registry and complete the application to register ESCs through the function "Register ESCs" to generate the invoice for the ESC registration fee.

We recommend you complete the above steps as early as possible in case any issues arise.

The complete process for applying to register ESCs is detailed on our [website](#).



PENALTY RATE INCREASE

We have [published](#) the scheme penalty rate for the 2018 calendar year. The scheme penalty rate will increase from \$27.48 to \$28.01 per notional MWh for 2018.

The 2018 scheme penalty rate has been calculated based on the adjusted base penalty rate, which will increase from \$29.24 to \$29.80 per notional MWh for 2018, due to movements in the consumer price index.



CONSULTATION

M&V Professionals framework

We are reviewing the framework for the administration of Measurement & Verification (M&V) Professionals under the Project Impact Assessment with Measurement and Verification method.

We released a [consultation fact sheet](#) on 6 November 2017 and are now reviewing the stakeholder submissions. Thank you to those that provided feedback.

Compliance framework review

During October 2017 we consulted on proposed changes to our compliance framework, including amendments to the key document, the *Compliance & Performance Monitoring Strategy (CPMS)*. Thank you to those stakeholders that contributed feedback.

We recently published final versions of the [ACP Compliance Guide](#) and [ACP Application Guide](#). These guides replace the CPMS and the former *Guide to ACP's Obligations*.

PIAM&V Method Guide

In September 2017 we published an updated version of the *PIAM&V Method Guide* and *Application Form B* to reflect amendments to the ESS Rule and changes to the PIAM&V application process. For more information, refer to the [ESS website](#). Thank you for your feedback during the consultation on the PIAM&V application process.



AUDIT PANEL

ACPs and Scheme Participants are required to select appointed [Audit Panel members](#) to conduct their audits. We accept [applications](#) to the Audit Services Panel at any time.



WORKSHOPS

We held a workshop with M&V Professionals on 28 November 2017 where we discussed the consultation on the M&V Professional framework and recent issues we have seen with M&V Professional Reports. It was a successful session, with valued feedback provided to help us improve our administration.

We will shortly be releasing our 2018 calendar of events. You can also register your interest for sessions offered by using the [on-demand registration](#) feature on our website. Further details are available in the [events and registration page](#) of our website.



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ESS REGISTRY AND ACCREDITATION STATISTICS

Table1: ESS Registry and accreditation statistics

Total ESCs created under the ESS since 2009 ^a	2017 estimated target	ESCs available for surrender ^a	ESCs created in 2017 ^a	Total current accreditations ^{a b}	New accreditations this quarter ^c
21,578,642	4,100,000	6,191,119	4,238,983	171	6

Notes:

a) Data as at 30 November 2017

b) Multiple project accreditations count as single accreditations.

c) During the period 1 September to 30 November 2017

Table 2: Recent accreditations under the Energy Savings Scheme

Company name	Accreditation name	Project type	Sector
Cyanergy Pty Ltd	Lighting upgrades for homes and small businesses	Lighting	Residential / Small Business
Grosvenor Engineering Group Pty Ltd	GEG Commercial Lighting Upgrades	Lighting	Commercial
Lifestyle Technologies (Aust) Pty Ltd	Energy Efficient Commercial Lighting Retrofit	Lighting	Commercial / Industrial
Phenix Trading Pty Ltd	Multiple activities – residential / commercial	Multiple activities	Residential / Small Business
Sustainable Focus Pty Ltd	Commercial Lighting and Energy Management System Upgrades	Lighting	Commercial / Industrial
Wattly Pty Ltd	MBM General Method	Multiple activities	Commercial / Industrial

Note: During the period 1 September to 30 November 2017