

1.Name of measure

National Energy Productivity Plan (Announced April 2015.)

2.Purpose and outline of measure

As part of the Energy White Paper the Government announced that it would develop a National Energy Productivity Plan (NEPP), including an aspirational national energy productivity improvement target of up to 40 per cent between 2015 and 2030. Energy productivity will be measured as \$GDP per petajoule of primary energy.

- The NEPP will replace the previous National Strategy on Energy Efficiency, but will also be broader to consider all measures across energy market reform which can support energy consumers to manage their costs (such as pricing reform and fuel switching).

- The NEPP will support energy consumers (large and small) and service providers to make better decisions on energy and effectively manage energy costs. It will include:

- measures which support efficient decisions when selecting energy services, such as smart meters, cost-reflective prices, access to information and labels;

- measures which support development of better energy services through innovation and competition, such as reducing barriers to entry in the market for new technologies and service options; and

- measures which ensure efficient minimum services and performance, including through standards for equipment, appliances and buildings.

- The NEPP is expected to include both Commonwealth and COAG collaborative measures. Some of these measures are existing and others will be new. The Australian Government will work with the COAG Energy Council to develop the NEPP and deliver the collaborative actions during 2015.