



Build and Recover for Energy Efficiency

We are advocating for the following energy efficiency provisions for commercial and residential buildings in the Northern Territory. The Northern Territory lags behind the rest of Australia, and international best practice on energy efficiency for homes and buildings, leaving Territorians highly vulnerable to climate change impacts on health, high power bills, and additional housing and building stock that will not be climate resilient.

Commitment to increased energy efficiency policies will also allow the Northern Territory Government to rapidly decarbonise.

We call on all parties to commit to

- Adopting the NCC 2019 Section J, basic minimum energy efficiency regulations for new commercial buildings.
- Increasing minimum energy efficiency standards for new and refurbished residential buildings to at least 8 stars.
- Increasing minimum energy efficiency standards for new and refurbished class 2 dwellings (apartment buildings) to a NatHERS rating of 6 stars.
- Move to 'Whole of House' energy efficiency provisions when its adopted nationally, to avoid another 13 year lag behind other parts of Australia
- Legislate all new Government buildings or Government funded projects incorporate minimum energy efficiency standards in line with NCC 2019 Section J and generate their own solar
- Implementing a program that addresses the split incentive between energy efficiency upgrades for renters and landlords
- Ensuring air-conditioner units provided to social and government housing are split system inverters and not box A/Cs to ensure efficiency and lower power bills
- Increasing energy efficiency education for residents
- Use the [ACOSS Joint Proposal](#) for Economic Stimulus Healthy & affordable homes: national low-income energy productivity program to stimulate the economy as part of the Covid-19 recovery



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Enhance the Smarter Business Solutions program to incentivise large organisations to improve energy efficiency via:

- Define large organisations as those that consume >750MWh/yr
- Offer 50% funding for energy audits for large organisations with a funding limit of \$8,000
- Increase funding for energy efficiency projects (currently limited to \$20,000) to \$50,000 for large organisations
- Integrate the Smarter Business Solutions program with an information strategy help organisations find out how to reduce their energy consumption. Options to consider as part of the strategy include:
 - Fact sheets demonstrating energy efficient solutions for various types of facilities
 - NT Government led sessions in city and rural areas to provide industry-targeted information on energy efficiency options
 - Case studies of successful projects
 - Detailed summary of incentive programs from all levels of government
 - Links to helpful industry websites and contacts