

QUEENSLAND TREASURY
Electricity Act 1994
SECTION 93 DIRECTION
to the Queensland Competition Authority

As the Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership, pursuant to section 93 of the *Electricity Act 1994* (the Act), I hereby direct the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) to decide a flat rate feed-in tariff for the 2026-27 tariff year.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Matters to consider

In accordance with section 93(2) and 93(3) of the Act, in deciding the feed-in tariff the QCA must consider the following:

1. The flat rate feed-in tariff should be decided using the general 'avoided cost' methodology.
2. The effect of the feed-in tariff on competition in the Queensland retail electricity market.
3. The matters described below:
 - the arrangements in place for Origin Energy to provide retailer services to Queensland customers connected to the Essential Energy supply network in southern Queensland; and
 - any other matter the QCA considers relevant.

Application of the feed-in tariff

4. The flat rate feed-in tariff is to apply for the period 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

Interim Consultation Paper

5. The QCA may publish an interim consultation paper identifying key issues to be considered when deciding the flat rate feed-in tariff.
6. The QCA may publish a written notice inviting submissions about the interim consultation paper, stating the period during which anyone can make written submissions to the QCA about issues relevant to the decision.
7. The QCA may consider any submissions received within the consultation period and make them available to the public, subject to normal confidentiality considerations.

Consultation Timetable

8. The QCA may publish an annual consultation timetable within two weeks after submissions on the interim consultation paper are due, which can be revised at the discretion of the QCA, detailing any proposed additional public papers and information sessions that the QCA considers would assist the consultation process.

Draft decision and consultation

9. The QCA may publish its draft price decision for the solar feed-in tariff and undertake public consultation to decide the 2026-27 flat rate feed-in tariff, if the QCA is considering applying a different methodology from that used in previous Tariff Years.
10. The QCA may publish a written notice inviting submissions about the draft price decision. The notice must state a period during which anyone can make written submissions to the QCA about issues relevant to the draft price determination.
11. The QCA may consider any submissions received within the consultation period and make them available to the public, subject to normal confidentiality considerations.

Final decision

12. The QCA must publish its final decision for the regulated solar feed-in tariff in the form of a final decision report, to be published alongside the final decision report for regulated retail electricity pricing.
13. As part of consultation and in consideration of submissions in response to the interim consultation paper, the QCA must consider the merits of additional public consultation on identified key issues in its final decision.

Timing

14. The QCA must decide the flat rate feed-in tariff and, in accordance with section 94 of the Act, announce the flat rate feed-in tariff on the QCA's website and publish the decision via Gazette Notice no later than 5 June 2026.

This direction is made by **The Honourable David Janetzki MP**, Treasurer, Minister for Energy and Minister for Home Ownership.

Signed:



The Honourable David Janetzki MP
Treasurer
Minister for Energy
Minister for Home Ownership

Dated:

19/1/26