



# **Industry Research and Development (Dealership and Repairer Initiative for Vehicle Electrification Nationally (DRIVEN) Program) Instrument 2024**

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I, Chris Bowen, Minister for Climate Change and Energy, as delegate of the Minister for Industry and Science, make the following instrument.

Dated 14 November 2024

Chris Bowen  
Minister for Climate Change and Energy

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## 1 Name

This instrument is the *Industry Research and Development (Dealership and Repairer Initiative for Vehicle Electrification Nationally (DRIVEN) Program) Instrument 2024*.

## 2 Commencement

- (1) Each provision of this instrument specified in column 1 of the table commences, or is taken to have commenced, in accordance with column 2 of the table. Any other statement in column 2 has effect according to its terms.

Commencement information		
Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Provisions	Commencement	Date/Details
1. The whole of this instrument	The day after this instrument is registered.	

Note: This table relates only to the provisions of this instrument as originally made. It will not be amended to deal with any later amendments of this instrument.

- (2) Any information in column 3 of the table is not part of this instrument. Information may be inserted in this column, or information in it may be edited, in any published version of this instrument.

## 3 Authority

This instrument is made under section 33 of the *Industry Research and Development Act 1986*.

## 4 Definitions

In this instrument:

**Act** means the *Industry Research and Development Act 1986*.

**Dealership** means a licenced motor dealer/trader. This also includes service centres associated with a licenced motor dealer/trader.

**Electric vehicle (EV) repairer** means an automotive repair business that can demonstrate that they have at least one member of staff suitably qualified to undertake work on EVs and comply with Australian Standard 5732:2022 (EV operations – Maintenance & repair).

**Kyoto Protocol** means the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, done at Kyoto on 11 December 1997, as in force for Australia from time to time.

Note: The Protocol is in Australian Treaty Series 2008 No. 2 ([2008] ATS 2) and could in 2024 be viewed in the Australian Treaties Library on the AustLII website (<http://www.austlii.edu.au>).

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**Paris Agreement** means the Paris Agreement, done at Paris on 12 December 2015, as in force for Australia from time to time.

Note: The Agreement is in Australian Treaty Series 2016 No. 24 ([2016] ATS 24) and could in 2024 be viewed in the Australian Treaties Library on the AustLII website (<http://www.austlii.edu.au>).

**Program:** see subsection 5(1).

**United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change** means the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, done at New York on 9 May 1992, as in force for Australia from time to time.

Note: The Convention is in Australian Treaty Series 1994 No. 2 ([1994] ATS 2) and could in 2024 be viewed in the Australian Treaties Library on the AustLII website (<http://www.austlii.edu.au>).

## 5 Prescribed program

- (1) For the purposes of subsection 33(1) of the Act, the Dealership and Repairer Initiative for Vehicle Electrification Nationally (DRIVEN) Program (the **program**) is prescribed.
- (2) The program provides funding to support the purchase and installation of electric vehicle charging infrastructure at automotive dealerships (including associated servicing centres) and electric vehicle (EV) repairers in Australia.
- (3) The purposes of the program are to:
  - (a) assist businesses to meet the upfront capital costs associated with purchasing and installing electric vehicle charging infrastructure; and
  - (b) position the Australian automotive industry to support increasing electric vehicle uptake.

## 6 Specified legislative power

For the purposes of subsection 33(3) of the Act, the power of the Parliament to make laws with respect to external affairs (within the meaning of paragraph 51(xxix) of the Constitution) is specified, as it relates to measures to give effect to Australia's obligations under one or more of the following:

- (a) the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, particularly Article 4;
- (b) the Kyoto Protocol, particularly Article 10;
- (c) the Paris Agreement, particularly Article 4.