

Communiqué

18 December 2019

Standing Committee of Officials (SCO)

This communiqué highlights key outcomes from the third SCO meeting held in Melbourne on 11 December 2019.

Outcomes of SCO meeting

- Following an extensive procurement process, the SCO has approved ESV to engage an ICT consultant as part of the EESS database redevelopment project. The first stage will involve extensive consultation with industry stakeholders and electrical equipment safety regulators to determine the requirements of a new database to support the EESS going forward. The project aims to provide greater database functionality and stability, improved user interfaces and greater reporting capabilities to both industry and regulators.
- In 2020, a communication strategy will be developed to provide regular reporting to industry on the outcomes of equipment check testing carried out under the EESS. The reporting will include test results and details of any regulatory actions taken in response to identified failures, such as recalls, prohibitions of sale, etc.
- All jurisdictions are continuing work towards a consistent regulatory approach to electrical equipment safety throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Attendees

- Terry Moore, Queensland (SCO Chair)
- Andrew Goldsworthy, Tasmania
- Ian Burgwin, Victoria
- Adam Murdoch, Victoria
- Don Saunders, Western Australia
- Robert Faunt, South Australia
- Jodie Wright, New South Wales
- Michael Mosslar, Australian Capital Territory
- Mark Wogan, New Zealand
- Peter Morfee, New Zealand
- Brian Richardson (SCO Secretariat)

Apologies

- Saj Abdoolakhan, Western Australia
- Northern Territory

Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 11 February 2020 via teleconference.