

Australia's first National Electric Vehicle Strategy announced

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The Victorian Automotive Chamber of Commerce (VACC) welcomes the Albanese Government's release of the [National Electric Vehicle Strategy](#).

The roadmap is designed to ensure better choice of electric vehicles for Australian consumers, along with creating more and improved options for buyers of internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles.

The strategy identifies amongst other things that the transition to EVs presents a significant opportunity to develop new jobs and skills in Australia. VACC through MTAA has been quoted "Workforce planning must find an effective balance of attracting people to professions that will continue to be required for the foreseeable future while also training technicians, repairers, and others on electric vehicle requirements and increasing technology being applied to new vehicles." – Motor Trades Association of Australia.

As part of the Strategy the Government will introduce a Fuel Efficiency Standard, working with industry and the community to finalise details in coming months. Fuel efficiency standard sets an average CO2 emissions target for cars sold by each vehicle supplier. They only apply to new cars, not cars that are already in the market or being used on the road. The aim will be to incentivise consumers to use a more fuel-efficient ICE vehicle. Consultation on the design scheme for fuel efficiency standards is available through www.cleanercars.gov.au

The Motor Trades Associations of Australia (MTAA) in collaboration with the Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries (FCAI) and the Australian Automotive Dealer Association (AADA) may form a national position on the scheme for a Fuel Efficiency Standard in the coming months.

To read the MTAA media release please click [here](#).

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