



**Gas Appliance
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Australian Quarantine New Packing Declaration for FCL and LCL shipments

The new [Biosecurity Act 2015](#) commenced 17 June, replacing the Quarantine Act 1908. With this comes many changes.

An important change for anyone shipping FCL and LCL cargo to Australia is that an updated Packing Declaration needs to be used from now on.

[Here is a link to the new Packing Declaration.](#)

The Department has in transit provisions for cargo moving under the former Packing Declaration. However, it is important that you immediately start using this new declaration for all future shipments.

Energy Efficiency with Gas - The Case for Gas in the Heating Sector - EU report

70% of all homes in EU are older than 40 years! Transformation of the heat sector underpins 3 aspects of European energy policy: decarbonisation, energy efficiency, and energy security

[Access Report here](#)

The Hon Minister Frydenberg releases the E3 Prioritisation Plan

On 21 June, The Minister for Resources, Energy & Northern Australia released a plan of new priorities for improving appliance energy efficiency.

Through this plan, the Turnbull Government is saving Australian households and businesses energy, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and lowering energy bills by increasing building and appliance energy efficiency.

As Chair of the COAG Energy Council, the Coalition Government has also led the way in establishing new priorities for improving appliance efficiency through the Equipment Energy Efficiency (E3) programme. Here, governments will pursue significant energy savings through six priority areas: lighting, non-domestic fans, swimming pool pumps, commercial refrigerated storage and display cabinets, air conditioning, and domestic fridges and freezers. These changes could save Australian households hundreds of dollars on their energy bills.

The measures will make a significant contribution to the Coalition Government's target of increasing national energy productivity by 40 per cent between 2015 and 2030, with commercial buildings alone accounting for around 10 per cent of Australia's energy consumption. The continued implementation of our National Energy Productivity Plan will boost competitiveness, help energy consumers manage costs and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. [Read to full media release here](#)

Rick Miles, A/g General Manager A/g GEMS Regulator - Appliance Energy Efficiency Branch will now place a news article on the Energy Rating Website and include a link to the Prioritisation Plan for program stakeholders. [Access their website here](#)

GAMAA is well represented on the E3 Committee and we will keep GAMAA members updated on any areas that will impact the gas appliance market.

GAMAA 52nd AGM - Save this date 15 September 2016

GAMAA's 52nd AGM will be held on Thursday 15 September at L2, 441 St Kilda Road. All members are invited to attend the AGM which will commence at 1.15pm immediately after a light lunch.

More information will be provided closer to the date.

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