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# COAG Regulation Impact Statement status - by Council

2012-13

The Office of Best Practice Regulation (OBPR) is required to publish Regulation Impact Statements (RIS) and the OBPR's assessment of RISs on its website as soon as practicable from the date of the regulatory announcement, in consultation with the relevant Council, Forum or national standard-setting body (NSSB). Consequently, the RIS status in aggregate and by Council, Forum or NSSB is also reported 'live' in the following tables.

#### Compliance with the COAG RIS requirements 2009-10 to 2012-13

Stage	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
	ratio %	ratio %	ratio %	ratio %
Consultation stage <sup>a</sup>	29/41 71	8/9 89	13/16 81	13/14 93
Decision-making stage	32/41 78	9/10 90	13/16 81	12/14 86

Source: OBPR

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# Attorney-General's Department

le of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
hemical Security: Precursors to Homema	ade Explosives	;		
Improving security arrangements for businesses that handle chemicals that can be used to make homemade explosives.	11 December 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes
ustralian Building Codes Board				
tle of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
andards to Address Intrusive External No	oise in New Re	sidential Build	ings	
Proposal to address the problem of intrusive external noise in new residential buildings.	*	Yes		
onstruction of Buildings in Flood Hazard	Areas			
National Construction Code standard to address the risk of floods to new residential buildings.	December 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes
* A decision has not been made as at 30 . Not applicable	lune 2013			
ustralian Health Workforce Ministerial C	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			

Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Options for Regulation of Paramedics				
Options for changing the regulation of paramedics.	*	Yes		

\* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013

#### Australian Registrars' National Electronic Conveyancing Council

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Electronic Conveyancing National Law				
Proposed Electronic Conveyancing National Law that will facilitate the implementation of National Electronic Conveyancing.	17 October 2012	Yes	No	Yes <sup>a</sup>

a As the Electronic Conveyancing National Law decision RIS was not assessed as adequate prior to the tabling of the electronic conveyancing model law in New South Wales Parliament, the OBPR assessed the proposal as being non-compliant with the COAG best practice regulation requirements. However, a decision RIS was redrafted and assessed as adequate after the tabling of the model law relating to electronic conveyancing and was consequently published in the interest of transparency.

#### **Council of Australian Governments**

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
National Disability Insurance Scheme				
Introduction of a National Disability Insurance Scheme.	*	Yes		

\* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013

.. Not applicable

#### Food Standards Australia New Zealand

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Country of Origin Labelling for Unpackage	d Meat			
Requires the country of origin to be labelled on unpackaged meat.	7 December 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes
Food Nutrition, Health and Related Claims				
Regulation of Food Nutrition, Health and Related Claims.	7 December 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes

#### Legislative and Governance Forum on Consumer Affairs

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Consumers and Fuel Price Boards				
To propose new national laws regulating the display of information on fuel price boards.	*	Yes		

\* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013

.. Not applicable

#### Legislative and Governance Forum on Food Regulation

	Title of regulatory proposal				
	Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
I	Front-of-Pack Nutrition Labelling				
	Decision to implement a front-of-pack labelling system for Australia.	14 June 2013	No	No	No

#### National Environment Protection Council<sup>a</sup>

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Amendment of the National Environment I	Protection (Ass	sessment of Sit	e Contaminati	on) Measure
Assesses proposed amendment of				

NEPM to update site assessment methodologies for assessing human	11 April 2013	Yes	Yes	Yes
and ecological risks.				

a The function of National Environment Protection Council (NEPC) is to make, then assess and report on the effectiveness and implementation of, National Environment Protection Measures. NEPC meets simultaneously with the Standing Council on Environment and Water and NEPC members are also members of Council.

# Select Council on Climate Change

Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published			
andards and	Energy Labellir	ng for Comput	er Monitors			
22 March 2013	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Air Condition	ers, Water Hea	ters and Other	<sup>.</sup> Appliances			
*	Yes					
une 2013						
ness						
Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published			
National Regulatory System for Community Housing Providers						
28 March 2013	Yes <sup>a</sup>	Yes	Yes			
	Decision andards and 22 March 2013 Air Condition	Decision       consultation         andards and Energy Labellin         22 March       Yes         2013       Yes         Air Conditioners, Water Heat         *       Yes         une 2013         Date of Decision       Compliant at consultation         Housing Providers         28 March       Yes <sup>a</sup>	Decision     consultation     decision       andards and Energy Labelling for Comput       22 March 2013     Yes     Yes       22 March 2013     Yes     Yes       Air Conditioners, Water Heaters and Other       *     Yes			

<sup>a</sup> The consultation RIS was published by the Select Council in November 2011, but was not published by the OBPR. The consultation RIS is available at: <u>http://www.nrsch.gov.au/NR/rdonlyres/0DC3AE82-5FF1-4C76-A9BD-E054E5489A92/0/RISConsultation.pdf</u>

# Standing Council on Energy and Resources

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Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Gas Transmission Pipeline Capacity Trad	ing			
Options to improve utilisation of gas transmission pipeline capacity in the eastern Australian gas market.	*	Yes		
imited Merits Review of Decision-Making	g in the Electricit	y and Gas Re	gulatory Frame	eworks
Reform of the appeals process for energy network pricing determinations.	31 May 2013	Yes	Yes	Yes
* A decision has not been made as at 30 Not applicable	June 2013			
Standing Council on Environment and V	Vater			
Fitle of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
Beverage Container litter in the Northern	Territory			
<i>Options to address beverage container litter in the Northern Territory.</i>	*	Yes		
Regulation of Water Market Intermediaries	6			
Investigating potential misconduct by water market intermediaries.	*	Yes		
Reducing Emissions from Wood Heaters				
Investigates options to reduce emissions from wood heaters.	*	Yes		
Management of Chemical Environmental	Risks			
Investigates options to improve management of chemical environmental risks.	*	Yes		
* A decision has not been made as at 30	June 2013			

# Select Council on Workplace Relations

Title of regulatory proposal						
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published		
Preventing and Responding to Workplace Bullying						
Options for preventing and responding to workplace bullying.	*	Yes				

\* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013

# **Standing Council on Federal Financial Relations**

Title of regulatory proposal						
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Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published		
National Licensing for Electrical Occupation	S					
Examines the impact of replacing the current diverse state and territory licensing of the electrical occupational area with the proposed national licensing approach.	*	Yes				
National Licensing for Plumbing and Gasfitt	ing Occupat	ions				
Examines the impact of replacing the current diverse state and territory licensing of the plumbing and gasfitting occupational area with the proposed national licensing approach.	*	Yes				
National Licensing for Refrigeration and Air	-conditioning	g Occupations				
Examines the impact of replacing the current diverse state and territory licensing of the refrigeration and air-conditioning occupational area with the proposed national licensing approach.	*	Yes				
National Licensing for Property Occupations	3					
Examines the impact of replacing the current diverse state and territory licensing of the property occupational area with the proposed national licensing approach.	*	Yes				
Governance and reporting standards for charities						
Assessment of regulatory duplication between the proposed Commonwealth governance and reporting standards and existing State and Territory requirements for charities.	*	Yes				
* A decision has not been made as at 30 Ju	ine 2013					

#### **Standing Council on Health**

Title of regulatory proposal						
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published		
Strategies to Implement a National Approach to Poisonous Chemical Controls						
Examines options to improve national consistency of poisonous chemical regulation.	*	Yes				
Unregistered Health Practitioners						
Options for strengthening the regulation of those health practitioners where statutory registration is not a prerequisite for practice.	14 June 2013	Yes	Yes	Yes		
* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013						

.. Not applicable

# **Standing Council on Primary Industries**

Title of regulatory proposal				
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published
National welfare standards for sheep				
Options for national welfare standards and guidelines for sheep.	*	Yes		
National welfare standards for cattle				
Options for national welfare standards and guidelines for cattle.	*	Yes		
National Scheme for the Assessment, Veterinary Chemicals	Registration a	nd Control-of-	use of Agric	ultural and
Harmonise the control-of-use elements in the national scheme.	3 May 2013	Yes	Yes	Yes

\* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013

# Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment

Title of regulatory proposal							
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published			
Total Vocational Education and Training A	Fotal Vocational Education and Training Activity Data Collection						
Mandates the collection and reporting of total VET activity data.	16 November 2012	Yes	Yes	Yes			
Review of Vocation Education and Training							
Review of standards for vocational education and training providers.	*	Yes					
* A decision has not been made as at 30 June 2013 Not applicable							
Standing Council on Transport and Infrastructure							
Title of regulatory proposal							
Description of regulatory proposal	Date of Decision	Compliant at consultation	Compliant at decision	Final RIS published			
General Safety Requirements for Vessels							
Introduce a new national standard for domestic commercial vessels not required to be in survey.	18 May 2012 <sup>ª</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes			

a This decision was made in May 2012, but the announcement of the decision was not made until October 2012.