

ANTHEA HARRIS APPOINTED ESB CEO

The Energy Security Board (ESB) today announced Anthea Harris – currently Deputy Secretary, Energy, with the Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water & Planning – has been appointed Chief Executive Officer of the ESB.

This is a new role, which will provide senior capability and deliver full-time strategic support to the members of the ESB who each have other full-time roles in the energy system as Chair of the ESB and the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC), Chair of the Australian Energy Regulator (AER), and CEO of the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO).

ESB Chair Anna Collyer said she welcomes Anthea's extensive experience and expertise to the ESB which will complement the stakeholder engagement and strategic policy design capability of ESB members.

"The ESB's policy work is at a critical stage. Australia's energy ministers have tasked the ESB with implementing agreed reforms and developing policy alternatives to efficiently deliver the necessary resource capacity and manage congestion in the National Electricity Market's future system," Ms Collyer said.

"Our work on distributed energy resources (DERs), in particular, is significantly changing the way energy is produced, stored and distributed. Anthea, in her new role, will be instrumental in delivering long-term sustainability, making way for a future of solar, batteries and electric vehicles, bringing power networks into the 21st century."

Anthea will commence as Chief Executive Officer on 28 March.