



UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

2020-21 PRIORITIES

In accordance with its Strategic Plan 2019-2021, the commission plans to deliver the following specific priorities for 2020-21:

- complete the review and update of the Ring-fencing Code
- publish high quality reports on 2019-20 power system and retail performance, and demand and supply forecasts, including a continued focus on tracking licensees' implementation of commission and system control incident report recommendations
- publish six-monthly reports on the progress of PWC and Territory Generation in implementing the commission's recommendations in the Independent Investigation of the Alice Springs System Black Incident on 13 October 2019 report and other major incident reports
- inform and monitor licensees' audits of compliance with the Electricity Industry Performance Code
- publish an annual compliance report of licensees' compliance with regulatory obligations
- publish an annual price monitoring report for the Port of Darwin
- deliver the Commission's annual report to the Minister regarding any material instances of non-compliance with the private port operator's access policy and determinations made by the commission
- commence a review of the Electricity Industry Performance Code
- commence a review the electricity licensing regime
- commence the stage 2 review of the Electricity Retail Supply Code
- meet with stakeholders and conduct site visits south of Darwin to Katherine, subject to any potential travel or other restrictions
- continue to assist and provide advice to the Territory government on issues that may impact customers as appropriate
- undertake a stakeholder survey
- identify, and have staff participate in, relevant professional development
- recruit appropriately skilled and experienced staff to fill current vacancies.