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AEVA welcomes new vehicle efficiency standard

The Australian Electric Vehicle Association (AEVA) welcomes the Federal Government's announcement today of a New Vehicle Efficiency Standard (NVES). These important regulations will finally give vehicle importers a reason to bring more electric vehicle models to Australia. "A wider range of models will make it easier for Australians to find an EV that meets their needs and get them into an EV sooner", said Dr Chris Jones, AEVA National President.

AEVA finds the Government's preferred option acceptable, but believes that at minimal additional cost, Option C would stimulate greater EV sales and further cut transport emissions. AEVA is strongly opposed to Option A, which achieves very little.

The proposed standard sets out emissions limits to 2029 with future years to be determined. "In our submission, AEVA advocated for a trajectory all the way to zero emissions, which would lay out a plan for the ultimate step change to electric transport", said Dr Jones.

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