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### **Release of MCE Statement of Scope A National Legislative Framework for Gas and Electricity**

This Bulletin announces the release of the Ministerial Council on Energy's (MCE) Standing Committee of Officials (SCO) [Statement of Scope – A National Legislative Framework for Gas and Electricity](#).

This Statement of Scope has been prepared by the SCO, to assist stakeholders by outlining details of future national legislative arrangements for gas and electricity markets and clarifying the scope of the proposed legislative packages to progress the MCE Energy Market Reform Agenda. The paper updates the MCE Statement of Approach of September 2005.

The national legislative arrangements will be contained in two legislative packages to be released for public consultation in 2006 and 2007. The packages will give effect to the requirements of the Council of Australian Governments' (COAG) Australian Energy Market Agreement as amended and endorsed by COAG in June 2006.

The Statement of Scope can be accessed electronically at the MCE website at [www.mce.gov.au](http://www.mce.gov.au).

The Statement of Scope is for stakeholder information only. Consultation with stakeholders on exposure drafts of the laws and rules will be an integral part of the upcoming process. While an exposure draft of the 2006 Legislative Package is expected to be released in the near future, the MCE is currently reviewing the timelines for that package and will announce its decision shortly.

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