

# Utilities (Annual Licence Fees Determination 2025-26) Notice 2025

## Notifiable Instrument NI2025–520

made under the

**Utilities Act 2000, section 52 (Public notice of licence decisions), section 45 (Determination of fee) and section 53 (Public access to licences etc)**

## EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 45(1) of the *Utilities Act 2000* (Utilities Act) gives the Independent Competition and Regulatory Commission (ICRC) the authority to determine the annual licence fee payable by each licensed utility in the ACT.

Section 52(1)(i) of the Utilities Act requires the ICRC to prepare a notice upon making a determination under section 45. The notice is a notifiable instrument.

The four licensees subject to an annual licence fee for 2025-26 are the East Australian Pipeline Limited (ABN 33 064 629 009) (EAPL, gas transmission services provider), Icon Water Limited (ABN 86 069 381 960) (Icon, water and sewerage services provider), NSW Electricity Networks Operations Pty Ltd as Trustee for the NSW Electricity Networks Operations Trust (ABN 70 250 995 390) (Transgrid, electricity transmission and connection services provider), and Lumea Pty Limited as trustee of Lumea Trust (ABN 94 121 353 950) ('Lumea', electricity transmission services provider).

The licence fee payable by each licensed utility is the amount considered by the ICRC to be a reasonable contribution towards the regulation costs incurred, or expected to be incurred, for 2025-26 by the ICRC, the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal, and the Utility Technical Regulator.

Where there is an over- or under-estimation of costs for 2024-25, the licence fee determination process provides for an adjustment for the 2025-26 fees payable to account for this over- or under-estimation.

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>
<b>Licensee</b>	<b>Fee payable 2025-26 (\$, GST exempt)</b>	<b>Fee payable 2024-25 (\$, GST exempt)</b>	<b>Change from 2024-25 (\$)</b>
EAPL	11,145.04	9,908.40	+1,236.64
Icon	1,849,903.93	1,067,451.15	+782,452.78
Transgrid	63,015.60	57,701.99	+5,313.61
Lumea	2,959.42	2,860.31	+99.11
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,927,023.99</b>	<b>1,137,921.86</b>	<b>+789,102.13</b>