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COAG Energy Council,

While the proposed amendments provide great improvements, they introduce a disproportionate burden on smaller companies.

Small companies do not always have the capacity to research, monitor, apply or pay the impacts of the regulations.

Some more work is required to:

- tie penalties to the wealth of the responsible organisation
- provide support for companies to implement and manage the process, again commensurate with their wealth.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback,

- Mr Gary Ellett