

Head of Government and Stakeholder relations

Full Time | Melbourne CBD

Energy Networks Australia, the peak national body representing Australia's electricity transmission and distribution and gas distribution networks, is seeking a dynamic and motivated Head of Government and Stakeholder relations to join our team.

Energy Networks Australia plays a crucial role in shaping the nation's energy landscape. Our member organisations deliver energy to homes and businesses across the country, and we are dedicated to supporting our members and in fostering a better understanding of energy issues within the broader community. As part of our team, you will play a pivotal role in supporting the vision of our organisation.

This role is responsible for strengthening ENA's approach to strategic communications and engagement for all aspects of its interface with key stakeholders, and will lead the development and implementation of government, consumer, and community engagement strategy.

Role and Responsibilities:

Stakeholder Relations Strategy and Reputation Management

- » Provide leadership of ENA's stakeholder relations function.
- » Lead the development and implementation of government, consumer and community engagement strategy.
- » Provide strategic communication advice to the General Manager, Corporate Affairs, CEO and other senior executives to manage issues and risks related to Australia's energy networks and relationships with key stakeholders.
- » Support the design and delivery of external advocacy messaging and content across all channels.
- » Develop and write speaking notes and presentations and digital content to support CEO and Executive engagement with key external stakeholders.
- » Oversee ENA's stakeholder database management.
- » Develop an appropriate network among stakeholders, including ENA members, customer representatives and other key industry representatives.
- » Manage the Communications and Consumer Engagement Working Group; supporting the General Manager, Corporate Affairs with management of the Policy and Strategy Committee.
- » Lead the development and production of external reports and publications.

Government Relations

- » Lead ENA's government relations strategy and advocacy of policy priorities and activities.
- » Support the establishment of a strong network of political and government contacts.

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- » Provide government intelligence, proactively analyse and maintain awareness of political and government priorities.
- » Contribute to government and policy submissions.
- » Assisting the General Manager Corporate Affairs and Chief Executive Officer in preparing for ministerial meetings and public forums as required.
- » Representing Energy Networks Australia at meetings and seminars relevant to the communication and advocacy of policy priorities and activities.
- » Other duties as directed to support the activities of Energy Networks Australia

Benefits

We value our team members and offer a range of benefits, including:

- » Flexible working arrangements, including a combination of in-office and remote work.
- » Salary sacrifice benefits to maximize your earnings.
- » Access to the ENA Leadership Program and Employee Assistance for personal and professional support.
- » The opportunity to contribute to organisational planning and strategic direction.

What's on offer:

- » Competitive salary range of \$180,000 - \$200,000 (including superannuation) with an annual performance bonus, depending on prior experience.
- » A stimulating and challenging role located in Melbourne CBD, where you'll work closely with our passionate team.
- » Exposure to a dynamic and rapidly growing industry, with interaction with our member organisations.
- » Support for ongoing professional development and learning in the energy sector.

Qualifications and Requirements:

Essential:

- » Substantial government relations experience within a complex business or political environment, supporting the management of multiple stakeholders;
- » Experience developing and executing a strong and effective government and stakeholder engagement strategy aligned with business plan priorities
- » Strong interpersonal communication skills and a demonstrated capacity to engage with a wide variety of stakeholders;
- » Strong writing and communications skills, with experience working autonomously to delivery a variety of communications material, including political briefs, speeches, submissions and policy positions; and
- » Demonstrated capacity to work within a team and autonomously to manage and prioritise multiple activities
- » Experienced leader, able to support and guide teams and provide strategic advice to Executive team, CEO and Board

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- » Ability and willingness to travel to Canberra and other states as required

How to Apply:

At Energy Networks Australia, we are committed to fostering a diverse and inclusive work environment that values different perspectives and experiences. We encourage candidates from all backgrounds and life experiences to apply.

To apply for this exciting opportunity, please submit your CV and a statement addressing the selection criteria outlined above to Emma Shanks, info@energynetworks.com.au. Applications close on **Tuesday 31 October 2023**. Join our team and contribute to a clean energy future for Australia!

Visit our website at <https://www.energynetworks.com.au>