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**Senator Xenophon asked:**

Is the regulator playing an active role in the consultation process that is now underway in relation to the safeguard mechanism?

Has the Regulator provided any feedback to government? What feedback has been provided?

**Answer:**

The Clean Energy Regulator is playing an active role in the development of the safeguard mechanism policy following the release of the safeguard mechanism consultation paper. Representatives of the Clean Energy Regulator attended the public consultation meetings held in April 2015, and continue to actively engage with the Department of the Environment in considering feedback from stakeholders.

The Clean Energy Regulator's feedback to the Department of the Environment has focussed on practical implementation issues.