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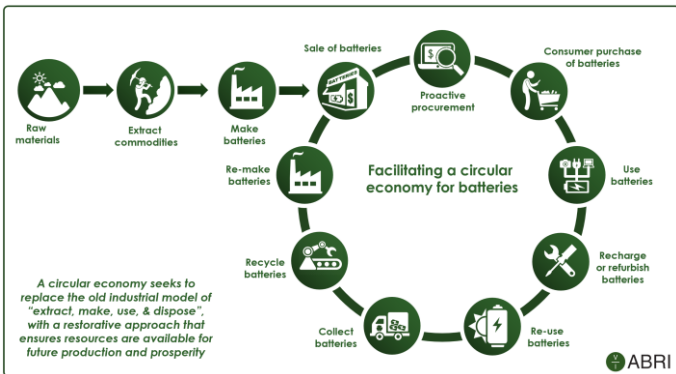
Facilitating a circular economy
for batteries in Australia

MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE



OUR VISION

ABRI's vision is to facilitate a circular economy for batteries in Australia. A circular economy seeks to replace the old industrial model of "extract, make, use, and dispose" with a restorative approach that ensures resources are available for future production and prosperity.



THE ROLE OF BATTERIES

Batteries have become an integral and ever-expanding part of all our lives. A recent report prepared for the Department of Environment projected we will be generating 20% more waste lithium ion batteries each year.



With this expansion comes an array of new issues relating to community safety and awareness, provision of infrastructure, establishment of standards and guidance, the need for research and development, government regulation and harnessing opportunities for economic development, to name a few!

YOU CAN BE PART OF THE SOLUTION

ABRI members are actively involved at the forefront of developments in industry and government to address this rapid expansion and ensure that solutions to battery stewardship are practical and far reaching. Together, we influence policy, participate in research, and facilitate trials to ensure that battery handling and recovery options are safe, efficient and business friendly.

BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

Consolidated Industry position on key issues



ABRI is the focal point for issues affecting our industry. Together we identify the issues of importance to the sector.

This year, we are particularly focussed on:

- The pursuit of harmonisation across government policy, for example facility permitting and transport law
- Achievement of a national stewardship scheme to address market failures in the industry
- Reclassification of recycling as a manufacturing sector rather than waste to recognise the productive nature of the industry
- Improving insurance options for the sector

Infrastructure development

Benefit from our efforts to expand the infrastructure for collection and recycling of all batteries, including automotive, industrial, general household and specialist batteries.



ABRI is playing a key role in the design of a national stewardship scheme for batteries. The scheme is being designed to address current market failures in the battery recycling sector.

We also collaborate with government agencies to ensure we are aware of the latest grants and funding opportunities for infrastructure development.



Collaborate and network



ABRI provides an opportunity for members to collaborate on recovery and recycling initiatives and to collectively achieve effective battery stewardship.

Sharing the cost of initiatives amongst participants offers lower costs to acquire valuable data, experience and knowledge and reduces the risks associated with stand-alone initiatives.

Access to recent research & market knowledge

ABRI leads and participates in industry research to ensure that members have access to the latest research in safety, best practice, and market intel.



Increase your visibility



ABRI actively promotes our members on our website and in response to questions from potential customers and interested parties.

We ask that you let us know your interests so that we can ensure that you are well placed to provide input to policy and relevant topics of discussion.

Stay in touch with the latest developments

ABRI is pursuing innovative solutions to battery stewardship, including packaging options, best practice guidelines, and analysis of emerging sectors such as energy storage.



As an ABRI member you will have access to the latest initiatives, research & innovations. We are also in regular communication with government agencies to ensure they are aware of the implications of regulations and policy agendas.

Our goal is to be transparent about the implications of government decisions and programs for industry and for improving battery stewardship in Australia.

ABOUT US

ABRI is a not-for-profit association established in 2008 to promote responsible environmental management of all batteries. At the recent ABRI 'Festival of Ideas' we identified the following objective for action.



MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

To be eligible for membership an organisation must meet the following criteria.

Corporate members

We have 4 categories of corporate membership based on turnover. GST inclusive.

Corporate member 1	Turnover > \$20 million	\$4950
Corporate member 2	Turnover \$5 - 20 million	\$3850
Corporate member 3	Turnover \$1 - 5 million	\$2750
Corporate member 4	Turnover < \$1 million	\$1650
Affiliate member	For organisations not involved in business activities relating to the manufacture distribution, sale, collection, sorting, or recycling of batteries or battery-containing products.	\$550

Corporate members must be involved in one or more aspects of the business of battery manufacture distribution and sale, collection and recycling of end of use and end of life batteries or waste management of battery components.

Affiliate members

Affiliate members are those not involved in business relating to the manufacture, distribution, sale, collection, sorting or recycling of batteries or battery-containing products.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact the Australian Battery Recycling Initiative:

Email: secretariat@batteryrecycling.org.au

Website: www.batteryrecycling.org.au



DETAILS OF MEMBER

DATE / /

Company	
Parent co./Subsidiaries	
HQ Address	

Primary Contact		Email	
Position		Phone	
Secondary Contact		Email	
Position		Phone	

MEMBERSHIP TYPE

Type of Membership	Membership Criteria	Annual Fee
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Member 1	Turnover above \$20 million	AUD 4950.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Member 2	Turnover between \$5m-\$20m	AUD 3850.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Member 3	Turnover between \$1m-\$5m	AUD 2750.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Member 4	Turnover less than \$1 million	AUD 1650.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Affiliate	Not involved in business relating to the manufacture, distribution, sale, collection, sorting or recycling of batteries or battery-containing products.	AUD 550.00

ORGANISATION TYPE

<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturer	<input type="checkbox"/> Importers/Distributor	<input type="checkbox"/> Retailer	<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Association
<input type="checkbox"/> Recycler	<input type="checkbox"/> Logistics Company	<input type="checkbox"/> Installer	<input type="checkbox"/> Research Organisation
<input type="checkbox"/> Mining company	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

MEMBER OBLIGATIONS & ABRI CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATION

An extract from ABRI's Rules of Association, which outlines the general obligations of members, is provided in **Attachment 1**. Compliance with the ABRI Code of Conduct (**Attachment 2**) is a condition of membership.

I certify that I have examined and am fully familiar with what is required of me under the Australian Battery Recycling Initiative (ABRI) Code of Conduct. I declare that I will comply with the ABRI Code of Conduct at all times.

Signature		Date	
Name		Position	

YOUR AREAS OF INTEREST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Alkaline batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Rechargeable batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Solar panel recycling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lithium ion batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Power-tool batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Energy Storage (PV) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used Lead Acid batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Transport/logistics | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Vehicles |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nickel Cadmium batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> e-waste | <input type="checkbox"/> Battery stewardship |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NiMH batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Government Policy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Button cell batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety & packaging guidelines | |

TYPES OF BATTERY TAKE BACK OR RECYCLING SERVICES YOU WOULD LIKE LISTED ON THE WEBSITE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Alkaline batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> NiMH batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric vehicle batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lithium ion batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Button cell batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Renewable Energy Storage batteries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Used Lead Acid batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Rechargeable batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> NiCad batteries | <input type="checkbox"/> Power-tool batteries | |

PLEASE EMAIL US:

- a high-resolution image of your logo to be included on the ABRI website
- a list of collection points, if applicable
- States and territories in which you provide take back, collection, or recycling services, , if applicable

Once we have processed your application, you will receive a member login which will enable you to update your information, services and logo on the ABRI website, and confirm that you will adhere to our Code of Conduct.

Please return completed form to the Australian Battery Recycling Initiative: contact@batteryrecycling.org.au

PRIVACY STATEMENT:

Information collected on this form will be used for the purposes of establishing membership details and be retained by the ABRI CEO. Members' details will not be distributed to external parties unless specified in the ABRI Rules.

ATTACHMENT 1: EXTRACT FROM AUSTRALIAN BATTERY RECYCLING INITIATIVE RULES**5.6 Obligations of Members**

- 5.6.1 A Member shall sign a copy of the Code of Conduct prior to the Annual General Meeting each year to reaffirm its commitment to it.
- 5.6.2 A Member shall use its best endeavours to observe and comply with all applicable laws and regulations and shall take reasonable steps to ensure that its employees and directors observe and comply with all laws and regulations applicable to the Member's business. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Member shall observe and comply with the provisions of the Trade Practices Act.
- 5.6.3 A Member shall treat all information provided and all matters discussed at general meetings and the minutes of meetings (other than the Annual General Meeting) as confidential and shall not disclose such information, matters and minutes to non-members except where required by law, or with the agreement of the meeting.
- 5.6.4 A Member or Nominated Representative with a material interest in a matter (over and above the common interest all Members have in that matter) shall declare that interest at the commencement of the meeting and shall offer to excuse themselves from the meeting while that matter is discussed.
- 5.6.5 Each Member shall act in good faith and provide current information on its activities to the Chief Executive Officer in a format agreed by Members from time to time. The Chief Executive Officer will aggregate such information and then promptly destroy all source documents. The aggregated information shall only be used in such a way as to enhance the image and profile of ABRI and its Members. Nothing in this Rule shall require a Member to supply information, or the Chief Executive Officer to aggregate or use such information if its supply, aggregation or use could lead to a breach of the Trade Practices Act.

(The complete Rules can be downloaded from www.batteryrecycling.org.au)

ATTACHMENT 2: ABRI CODE OF CONDUCT

Objective

This Code of Conduct has been adopted by members of the Australian Battery Recycling Initiative (ABRI) to promote the responsible management of used batteries at end of life. Compliance with the Code is a condition of membership. The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC's) *Guidelines for Developing Effective Industry Codes of Conduct* have been considered in the development of this Code.

Code Administrator

The Code Administrator is:
Chief Executive Officer
Australian Battery Recycling Initiative
secretariat@batteryrecycling.org.au

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL MEMBERS

Support for ABRI

Members are expected to:

- ⦿ work for the good of ABRI and actively support and promote its purposes as set out in the Rules;
- ⦿ provide leadership for all sectors of the battery recycling industry to foster high ethical standards;
- ⦿ act to enhance the profile of the ABRI and the resource recovery sector;
- ⦿ act with honesty and integrity;
- ⦿ foster openness and transparency in the decision making of the Association;
- ⦿ act with courtesy and respect to fellow members, CEO, stakeholders and the resource recovery industry; and
- ⦿ use their best endeavours to attend and contribute to as many meetings as possible.

Commitment to Product Stewardship

Members acknowledge their shared responsibility for the recovery of used batteries at end of life. Depending on their role and individual circumstances this may include:

- ⦿ promoting the recyclability of used batteries to resellers and customers
- ⦿ taking back used batteries from customers for recycling
- ⦿ safe and environmentally responsible collection of used batteries for recycling
- ⦿ supporting existing systems for the collection and recycling of used batteries
- ⦿ working in other ways to promote or enhance existing systems for battery recycling.

Chain of Custody

ABRI members will only provide used batteries to appropriately licensed and legally compliant recyclers. A factsheet on choosing the right recycler can be downloaded from:

<http://businessrecycling.com.au/research/resources.cfm>.

REQUIREMENTS FOR BATTERY COLLECTORS & RECYCLERS

Regulatory Compliance

Collectors and recyclers must comply with all relevant legal requirements, including but not limited to:

- ⦿ hazardous waste regulations in each state and territory relating to the storage and transport of used batteries;
- ⦿ the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code and associated regulations for transport of used batteries in each state and territory;
- ⦿ the Australian Hazardous Waste Act, which regulates the export of used batteries for recycling; and
- ⦿ Workplace Health and Safety regulations.

Health and Safety

Collectors and recyclers must take all reasonable steps to protect the health and safety for workers and the general public. Some batteries are classified as hazardous due to the presence of heavy metals and/or corrosive electrolytes. Others are hazardous due to the potential for fire or explosions.

Certification

Collectors and recyclers are encouraged to seek third party accreditation of their policies and practices. Accreditation is used to indicate compliance with best practice standards including:

- ⦿ AS/NZS 14001 series, Environment management system;
- ⦿ ISO 9001:2008 Quality management system; and
- ⦿ AS/NZS 5377: 2013, Collection, storage, transport and treatment of end-of-life electrical and electronic equipment.

DEEMED OBLIGATION

All members via their continuing membership of the Association will be deemed to have given an undertaking to abide by this Code of Conduct.

COMPLAINTS AND DISPUTE PROCEDURES

Any person may refer a complaint against a signatory to this Code to the Code Administrator. The complaint shall be in writing and shall be addressed to the Code Administrator.

The Code Administrator will seek resolution of any complaint. If the complaint is not resolved in a manner acceptable to the Complainant, the Code Administrator shall:

- ⦿ refer the complaint to the Executive Committee of ABRI with a summary of the nature of the complaint and, where appropriate, general reasons for that outcome.
- ⦿ inform the Complainant that the matter has been referred to the Executive Committee and advise generally of the procedure that will follow in accordance with the rules of the Association.

All complaints will be reported by the Code Administrator to the Executive Committee and be available to all signatories on request.

MONITORING, REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

The Code may be amended by ABRI at a general meeting. Any interested party may refer comments and proposals for amendment to this code to the Code Administrator.