

DRAFT BATTERY REUSE POLICY



The solution is in our hands

Our Policy

ABRI endorses the principle of battery reuse and refurbishment to prolong material life, achieve a circular economy, and minimise waste to landfill, providing it is conducted in accordance with established testing, safety, and quality standards.

Our commitment

ABRI is committed to:

- supporting independent research into safe and responsible battery reuse and refurbishment
- promoting members who have expertise in safe and responsible battery reuse and refurbishment via our website
- educating industry and consumers of the importance of ensuring that reuse and refurbishment activities are conducted safely and only by qualified professionals
- working with manufacturers to better understand intellectual property issues associated with battery reuse and refurbishment
- actively discourage export of batteries for reuse to avoid potential environmental, safety and social hazards (recognising batteries destined for reuse are still classified as waste under the Basel Convention and associated regulations apply)
- supporting and promoting development of an onshore battery reuse market to further enhance green jobs and improve Australia's energy security.

Qualification

While ABRI has determined that it is not in a position to provide advice or recommendations to individual projects, ABRI notes that management strategies vary depending on the battery type and chemistry and ABRI is not resourced to provide such specific technical, management and/or risk reduction strategies.

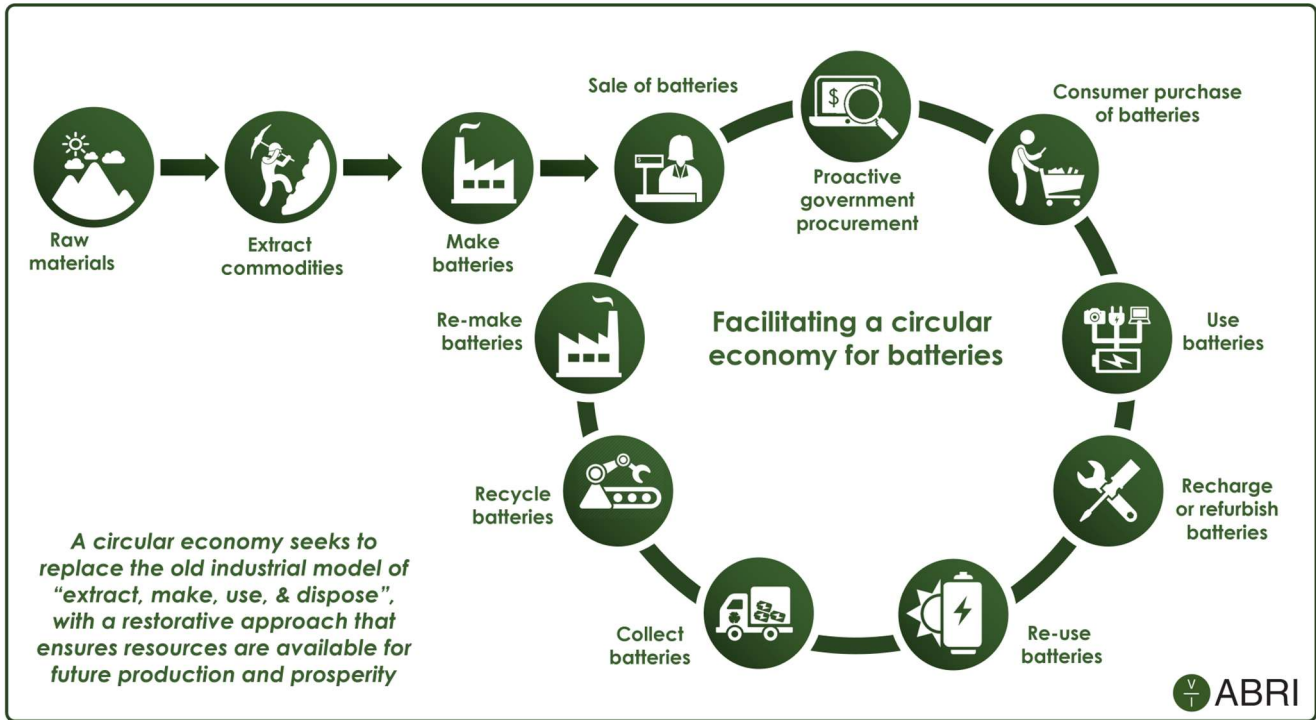
Responsibilities

ABRI executive and members will support and promote this policy.



Our vision

The Australian Battery Recycling Initiative has recently refined its mission to 'facilitate a circular economy for batteries in Australia'. ABRI considers circular economy to be a fundamental tenant of successful battery stewardship in Australia. It is in this context that our reuse policy has been updated.



Document control

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