

Media Release

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NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR SOLAR VICTORIA

Minister for Solar Homes Lily D'Ambrosio today announced the appointment of Stan Krpan as the inaugural Chief Executive Officer of Solar Victoria.

Mr Krpan will lead the implementation of the Andrews Labor Government's landmark Solar Homes package, which is helping households across Victoria cut their energy costs while boosting supply to the grid, creating almost 5,500 new jobs and helping to tackle climate change.

Solar Homes will cut Victoria's carbon emissions by almost four million tonnes – the equivalent of taking one million of Victoria's 4.6 million cars off the road. Household solar is expected to generate 12.5 per cent of Victoria's 40 per cent target for renewable energy by 2025.

From 1 July 2019, Solar Victoria will offer Victorians even more rebates for solar panels, solar hot water and battery energy systems.

This will also mark the start of the no-interest loans offer, which will allow households to install solar with no upfront costs, as well as solar panels for 50,000 rental properties and 10,000 solar batteries

Mr Krpan is an experienced chief executive with an outstanding track record for delivering energy, waste and sustainability programs. Until his appointment he was CEO of Sustainability Victoria, a role he held since 2012.

Mr Krpan has led significant reforms in law, health, safety and environment regulation and sustainability within Sustainability Victoria, the Environment Protection Agency and WorkSafe Victoria, and served on various boards.

The Labor Government's Solar Homes package is helping Victorians take control of their energy bills by rolling out solar panels, solar hot water or solar batteries to 770,000 homes over the next 10 years.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Solar Homes Lily D'Ambrosio

"Mr Krpan has a strong record in this sector and the right experience to lead the delivery of our landmark Solar Homes package."

"Solar Victoria will help Victorians cut their energy costs while developing Victoria's renewable energy industry and local jobs."

"We're putting power back into the hands of Victorians – putting a power station on their roof to drive down energy costs, boost supply and fight climate change."