

Media Release

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NEW ENERGY PROGRAMS FOR THE LATROBE VALLEY

The Andrews Labor Government is continuing to invest in new energy technology and skills in the Latrobe Valley, with four more businesses receiving funding to undertake new energy projects.

Minister for Energy Lily D'Ambrosio visited Morwell today to announce the local organisations that will share in more than \$160,000 in grants through the Latrobe Valley New Energy Jobs Fund.

The latest businesses to receive funding are:

- \$52,300 to Alternate Energy Innovations to develop equipment for wind turbine tower manufacturing and installation of a training and demonstration turbine
- \$12,000 to Ramahyuck District Aboriginal Corporation to conduct a solar farm financial feasibility study
- \$52,300 to Earthworker Energy Manufacturing Cooperative to manufacture in-house energy efficiency products
- \$50,000 to Edge Energy Solutions for a behind-the-meter energy generation and storage trial to develop an energy storage service.

More than \$270,000 has now been awarded under the fund, following grant announcements in October last year for Federation Training, EnviroMicroBio Pty Ltd, Latrobe Valley Engineering Services and Sundermann Water Power.

The Latrobe Valley New Energy Jobs Fund is helping local organisations deliver new energy skills and technology – helping to generate investment and create jobs in the region.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change Lily D'Ambrosio

"This fund is helping local organisations to deliver new energy solutions and create more jobs right here in the Latrobe Valley."

"We're supporting local businesses, driving down power bills and boosting the reliability of the local energy supply."