

# The Hon Anoulack Chanthivong MP

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Dear Mr Voortman,

As you are aware, a proposed draft Motor Dealers and Repairers Regulation 2025 (the Regulation) was released for consultation in April 2025. The Regulation is intended to fulfil two purposes – to complete the implementation of the Statutory Review of the *Motor Dealers and Repairers Act 2013*, and to remake the previous Motor Dealers and Repairers Regulation 2014.

I would like to thank you for your engagement throughout this process. After consideration of the feedback received on the proposed reforms to electric vehicle (EV) repairs, I have decided that the EV reforms will not be introduced in this Regulation until further consultation has been undertaken on the appropriate transitional arrangements for the automotive industry.

I can assure you that the NSW Government remains committed to the introduction of an EV mechanic repair class and other appropriate training to keep workers safe, protect consumers and support upskilling in the automotive industry.

The Government will continue to work with industry on the EV reforms. NSW Fair Trading will initiate further consultations with industry on transition details in due course.

The Regulation will still introduce other changes to increase consumer protections and establish appropriate standards of conduct, transparency and protection for motor dealers, motor vehicle repairers and motor vehicle recyclers. It is intended to commence on 1 September 2025.

Key changes that will be introduced in the Regulation include:

- an online selling framework to permit and regulate online sales of motor vehicles by motor dealers
- improving the accessibility of the Compensation Fund and introducing higher claim limits
- simplifying record keeping requirements to reduce administrative burdens on licensees
- expanding dealer guarantees for trailers and caravans based on the age of vehicles, with a 12-month commencement date
- increased penalty infringement notice amounts, and new penalty notice offences to ensure better deterrence and compliance.

More information and guidance on these changes will soon be published. However, if you have any questions, the NSW Fair Trading contact officer is Warren McAllister, Policy Manager, who may be contacted on 02 8276 8374, or at [warren.mcallister@customerservice.nsw.gov.au](mailto:warren.mcallister@customerservice.nsw.gov.au).

Sincerely,



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