

# Do you work in the road transport industry or rely on a road supply chain?

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An Expert Panel in the Road Transport industry has published a draft order that may result in regular rate reviews from 20 April 2026 to account for changes to fuel costs.

Submissions on the draft are due by noon on Friday 17 April 2026.

## What is happening?

The Expert Panel is considering making a time-sensitive order that would cover road transport supply chain participants. It would affect workers, businesses and others involved in the industry.

The Expert Panel published a draft order on Tuesday 14 April 2026 for consultation. The draft order relates to recent fuel supply chain disruption and would take effect on Monday 20 April 2026.

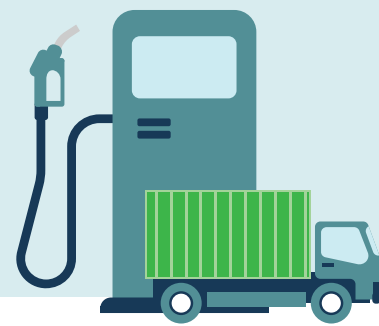
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## Who would it cover?

The draft order would cover people in road transport contractual chains that involve the performance of work in the road transport industry. This includes workers and businesses.

The cash in transit industry is not covered.

Read the [draft order](#) for more detail. Watch our video [about Road Transport Contractual Chains](#) to learn more.



## What is in the draft order?

The draft order includes terms that, if the Expert Panel decides to make an order based on the draft, would mean:

- From 20 April 2026 primary parties and secondary parties in road transport contractual chains must adjust their rates fortnightly or twice each calendar month to ensure recovery of the increased cost of fuel.
- Existing rise-and-fall rates already in contracts, industrial instruments or other arrangements, including those commenced before 20 April 2026, may satisfy the rate adjustment obligations.
- Disputes relating to the order that are unable to be resolved by the parties, can be referred to the Fair Work Commission.

## When would it start?

If the Expert Panel decides to make an order based on our draft, it would start on Monday 20 April 2026.

## When would it end?

If the Expert Panel decides to make an order based on our draft, it would stop if the weekly average national terminal gate price for diesel falls below \$2 per litre.

If made, the order would be reviewed by the Commission after one month of operation and then every three months.

## Have your say

Submissions are due by noon on Friday 17 April 2026.

To find out how to make a submission, go to the [Fuel cost major case](#) page on our website which includes an online submissions form facility.

This document has been prepared by Commission staff and does not interpret or replace the draft order. It aims to provide general information to support affected parties to engage with the case.