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FOR 2025**

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I. RESULTS OF TASK IMPLEMENTATION IN 2025

With regard to state management under the Law on the Efficient and Economical Use of Energy, the Ministry of Industry and Trade (Department of Energy Conservation and Sustainable Development, from March 2025 to be the Directorate of Innovation, Green Transition and Industrial Promotion) is tasked with taking the lead, in coordination with relevant agencies, in implementing state management over 26 legal documents issued at the central level. State management documents on energy efficiency include 1 Law, 2 Government Decrees detailing implementation measures and penalty provisions, 2 Prime Ministerial Decisions promulgating national technical standards for energy performance control of energy-consuming equipment (), and 16 circulars specifying energy consumption levels and measures for the efficient and economical use of energy in the chemical, plastics, beverage, construction, transport, and agricultural sectors (chemicals, plastics, beverages...), construction, transport, agriculture, and operational guidelines for the implementation of regulations on the efficient and economical use of energy.

The targets of state management are corporations, holding companies, and manufacturing enterprises with high energy consumption in industries such as chemicals, fertilisers, steel, plastics, ceramics, glass, textiles, leather and footwear, beer and wine, soft drinks, paper...

1. On legislative drafting for 2025

In accordance with the tasks assigned by the Ministry's leadership, the Department of Innovation, Green Transition and Industrial Promotion (the Department) has drafted and finalised the bill amending and supplementing certain provisions of the Law on Energy Conservation and Efficiency, as well as drafting subordinate legislation, as follows:

- On 18 June 2025, the National Assembly voted to pass Law No. 77/2025/QH15 amending and supplementing certain provisions of the Law on the Economical and Efficient Use of Energy.

- On 18 July 2025, the Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Decision No. 2097/QĐ-BCT on the Implementation Plan for the Law Amending and Supplementing Certain Provisions of the Law on the Conservation and Efficient Use of Energy by the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

- On 14 July 2025, the Prime Minister issued Decision No. 1526/QĐ-TTg listing and assigning the lead agencies responsible for drafting detailed regulations to implement the laws and resolutions adopted by the 15th National Assembly at its 9th session. The Ministry of Industry and Trade has drafted the following subordinate regulations:

- Decree No. 30/2026/NĐ-CP of 21 January 2026 of the Government detailing certain provisions and measures for the organisation and implementation of the Law on the Economical and Efficient Use of Energy.

- Circular No. 53/2025/TT-BCT dated 14 November 2025 issued by the Minister of Industry and Trade () stipulates regulations on training, the issuance of energy management certificates and energy audits.

- Circular No. 52/2025/TT-BCT dated 14 November 2025 issued by the Minister of Industry and Trade stipulates the list of vehicles and equipment subject to energy labelling within the Ministry of Industry and Trade's jurisdiction and the implementation timeline.

- Develop five national technical standards on energy efficiency for five types of energy-using appliances and equipment.

2. Monitor and inspect compliance with regulations on the efficient and economical use of energy

Implementation of the Specialised Energy Conservation Inspection Programme:

The Energy Conservation and Efficiency Agency has collaborated with the Ministry's Inspectorate to draft the 2025 Inspection Plan. In the second quarter of 2025, the Department of Construction Standards took the lead in coordinating with relevant units, including the Department of Industry and Trade of localities and the Vietnam Electricity Group, to complete inspections of compliance with legal regulations on energy conservation and efficiency at three local Departments of Industry and Trade: Bac Ninh, Ba Ria-Vung Tau and Hue

In general, government agencies and enterprises have demonstrated good compliance with regulations on the efficient and economical use of energy, specifically:

- + Local Departments of Industry and Trade: Have carried out state management tasks and duties in accordance with the Law on Energy Conservation and Efficiency, subordinate legal documents, and Directive No. 20/CT-TTg of the Prime Minister; They have advised provincial and municipal People's Committees on the issuance of directives and implementation plans for the National Programme on Energy Conservation and Efficiency, Directive No. 20/CT-TTg at the local level, and organised their implementation in accordance with regulations.

- + Key energy-consuming enterprises and enterprises applying energy consumption standards: Have generally fulfilled the responsibilities of key energy-consuming facilities as stipulated in the Law on Energy Conservation and Efficiency, subordinate legal documents, and Directive No. 20/CT-TTg issued by

the Prime Minister on 8 June 2023 regarding the intensification of electricity conservation for the 2023–2025 period and subsequent years.

3. On the implementation of the VNEEP3 programme

The Energy Conservation and Efficiency Programme for the period 2019–2030 (VNEEP3) was approved on 13 March 2019 under Decision No. 280/QĐ-TTg with the aim of mobilising domestic and international resources to achieve dual economic and environmental objectives, thereby contributing to sustainable development and climate change mitigation in Vietnam up to 2030. Annually, the Department of Climate Change (DCC) takes the lead in advising the Ministry's leadership on the development and management of the implementation of the tasks under the programme.

- In 2025, the Department of Chemical Industry organised the implementation of 104 tasks under the Programme, including 35 tasks assigned or commissioned for implementation, and 82 tasks carried out through open tendering (Decision No. 231/QĐ-BCT dated 24 January 2025 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade approving the list of tasks and funding for 2025 under the National Programme on Energy Conservation and Efficiency for the 2019–2030 period). The tasks have been accepted and finalised in accordance with regulations and the set schedule. The total state budget allocated for these tasks was 125 billion Vietnamese Dong; the total disbursement was 111.5 billion Vietnamese Dong, representing a disbursement rate of 89.2%.

- The Department of Energy Conservation and Efficiency has developed the 2026 work plan and submitted it to the Ministry's leadership for the issuance of Decision No. 2096/QĐ-BCT dated 18 July 2025, approving the list of proposed tasks to be implemented in 2026 by the Ministry of Industry and Trade under the Programme.

- Regarding the management of the performance of vehicles and equipment and energy labelling:

The Department of Certification and Inspection has collaborated with the Department of Science and Technology, the Department of Legal Affairs and the Ministry's Office to review regulations relating to sector-specific inspections and the reform of administrative procedures concerning energy efficiency.

The Department receives and processes applications for the energy labelling of energy-using vehicles and equipment.

- Regarding training activities:

Training on the efficient and economical use of energy is carried out by domestic training institutions. The Department of Energy Conservation is responsible for managing and issuing certificates in accordance with regulations.

As of the end of December 2025, the Department of Energy Conservation and Efficiency had collaborated with relevant units to organise 48 energy management training courses, issuing 1,122 certificates; and 7 energy auditor training courses, issuing certificates to 137 participants.

- Regarding communication:

The Department of Energy Conservation has developed a communication plan for the programme on the efficient and economical use of energy and the electricity saving programme. The Department has organised and coordinated with media, radio and television agencies to implement the following activities:

+ A series of activities in support of Earth Hour 2025 was widely organised across all provinces and cities nationwide, with the support of the EU and other international development agencies, attracting significant attention from the media and the public.

+ Launch of a journalism competition promoting the efficient and effective use of energy: The Organising Committee received a total of 477 entries. The Secretariat, in accordance with the Rules, conducted a preliminary screening and shortlisted 361 eligible entries for the preliminary judging round. Of these: Print media: 60 entries; Online newspapers: 163 entries; Radio: 21 entries; Television: 74 entries; Video clips: 43 entries. The Preliminary Judging Panel selected a total of 361 eligible entries from the submissions to proceed to the Final Judging stage. The Final Judging Panel selected the 40 most outstanding entries to be awarded prizes according to the following structure: Print Media category: 1 First Prize, 2 Second Prizes, 2 Third Prizes and 3 Consolation Prizes; Online Media category: 1 Special Prize, 1 First Prize, 2 Second Prizes, 4 Third Prizes and 5 Consolation Prizes.

+ Organise 25 'Green Stalls' simultaneously across the three regions at major shopping centres, electronics superstores, and specialised exhibitions on energy-saving equipment, primarily in the three major cities: Hanoi, Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh City, contributing to the realisation of national goals regarding green transition, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and sustainable economic development.

+ Collaborate with relevant agencies to produce video clips, infographics, news articles and features, and publish them on websites, Zalo, Facebook, TikTok, YouTube and other online platforms.

+ Collaborate with radio and television stations, as well as media organisations from central to local levels, to produce and broadcast news items, articles, clips, documentaries, and roundtable discussions to promote policies and disseminate solutions for energy conservation and efficiency, electricity saving,

and exemplary models in the use of energy conservation and efficiency.

+ Prioritise strengthening communication activities regarding policies, as well as disseminating solutions and exemplary models for energy conservation and efficiency on the programme's online information portal (Website: tietkiemnangluong.com.vn; the programme's Facebook page, TikTok, etc.).

4. Regarding electricity saving initiatives

- Intensify publicity on electricity saving via the central television network and media outlets within and outside the Ministry through the National Programme on Energy Conservation and Efficiency.

- Collaborate with the Vietnam Electricity Group to prepare for and organise the 2025 electricity saving conferences and provide guidance on implementing electricity-saving measures for the national electricity-saving network, in accordance with Directive No. 20/CT-TTg dated 8 June 2023 issued by the Prime Minister.

II. ISSUES, LIMITATIONS AND CAUSES

In 2025, the tasks and activities were effectively implemented by the lead agency in accordance with the set plan. However, there remain some limitations and difficulties in the process of implementing these tasks and activities. Non-repayable grant funds faced difficulties regarding allocation and disbursement procedures; preferential support for energy-saving investment activities, as well as policies encouraging the use of energy-saving and efficient energy in general and electricity conservation in particular, remain very limited.

Furthermore, efforts to raise awareness and encourage organisations and individuals to comply with regulations on energy conservation and efficiency, as well as on sustainable production and consumption, have not yet achieved the objective of improving the behaviour of all sectors of society. Furthermore, due to the impact of business operations, goods consumption, the energy crisis, and the general difficulties faced by enterprises, investment activities and the implementation of energy-saving and efficient solutions within enterprises remain very limited.

III. DIRECTIONS AND TASKS FOR IMPLEMENTATION IN 2026

- Improve the legal framework; draft circulars from the Ministry of Industry and Trade on technical and economic standards for energy audits and energy management models; issue guidelines on the preparation of plans, reporting on plans and the conduct of energy audits; and draft and submit to the Prime Minister for approval a decision establishing the Fund for the Promotion of Energy Conservation and Efficiency.

- Urge localities to issue lists of key energy-consuming facilities for 2025 in accordance with the Law on the Conservation and Efficient Use of Energy.
- Vigorously promote energy-saving activities in general and electricity-saving measures in particular nationwide. Organise the National Energy Efficiency Network Conference and the Electricity Saving Conference.
- Coordinate with the Vietnam Electricity Group and local authorities in implementing tasks and solutions to carry out Directive No. 09/CT-TTg and Directive No. 10/CT-TTg of the Prime Minister on energy conservation and electricity saving.
- Strengthen communication activities, inspections and monitoring of compliance with regulations on the efficient and economical use of energy, as well as Prime Ministerial Directives No. 09/CT-TTg and No. 10/CT-TTg.
- Effectively implement the 2026 tasks under the National Programme on Energy Conservation and Efficiency for the 2019–2030 period in accordance with the established schedule and plan.
- Develop the 2027 plan for the implementation of the National Programme on Energy Conservation and Efficiency.

IV. RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS

The leadership of the Ministry of Industry and Trade should pay close attention to directing and coordinating with relevant agencies and units regarding the allocation of resources, particularly for newly established units, new organisational structures, and staff merged from units with distinct cultural practices.

The European Union partners should continue to work closely with the Ministry of Industry and Trade in general, and the Department of Innovation, Green Transition and Industrial Promotion in particular, to connect, develop and implement cooperative activities within the framework of the Vietnam–EU Sustainable Energy Transition Programme, as well as to promote the implementation of activities and projects under the Just Energy Transition Partnership (JETP) and other cooperative programmes, projects and activities.

At the same time, both parties will coordinate closely and work with other relevant stakeholders to develop and implement a new budget support programme for the energy transition sector, which is expected to be signed by the end of 2028 and implemented in 2029–2030./.