

## **CERTIFICATE REPORT**

**July 2025** 

## **ACCU**

# **ACCU** prices dipped initially before rebounding

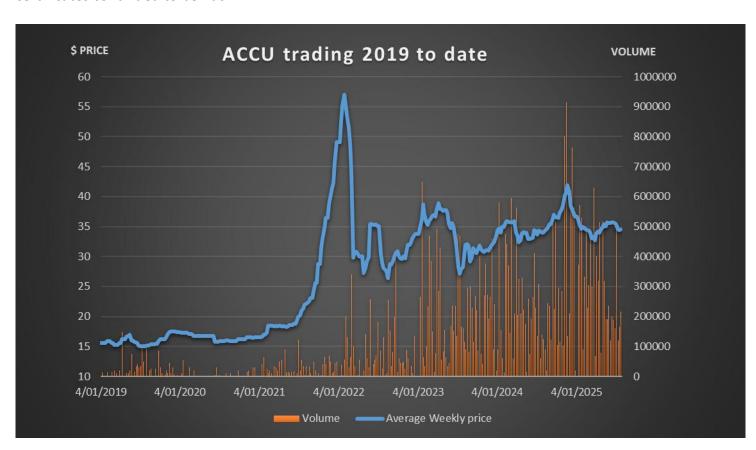
Accu prices moved lower initially but then recovered ground and closed the month modestly higher.

The spot market opened 5 cents lower, at \$35.40, and drifted lower for most of the period, reaching a nadir at 33.75. The last few days of the month saw a swift reversal as talk of some major safeguard mechanism obligated parties coming to market saw buyers return The spot price closed at the month's high of \$35.75 on turnover of 1.167 million certificates.

Forward trading saw 159,000 ACCUs deal for delivery between October and December this year at an implied cost of carry of around 5%.

Safeguard Mechanism Certificates traded 100,000 units dealing at a discount that varied from 75 cents to as low as 45 cents to the underlying generic ACCU.

The spread between Human Induced Regeneration (HIR) ACCUs and generic (no Avoided Deforestation) certificates continued to be flat.



#### **NSW ESCs**

# ESC prices remained on an upward trajectory this month

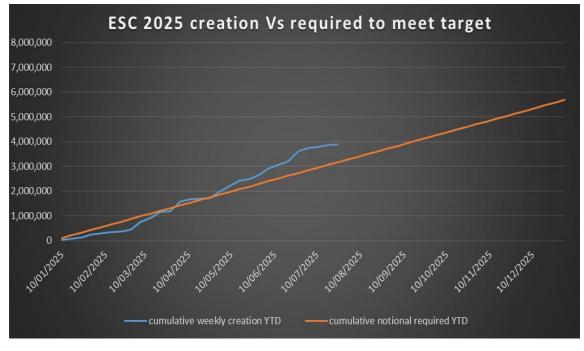
Certificate creation for July plummeted to 180,000, the lowest monthly total for many years.

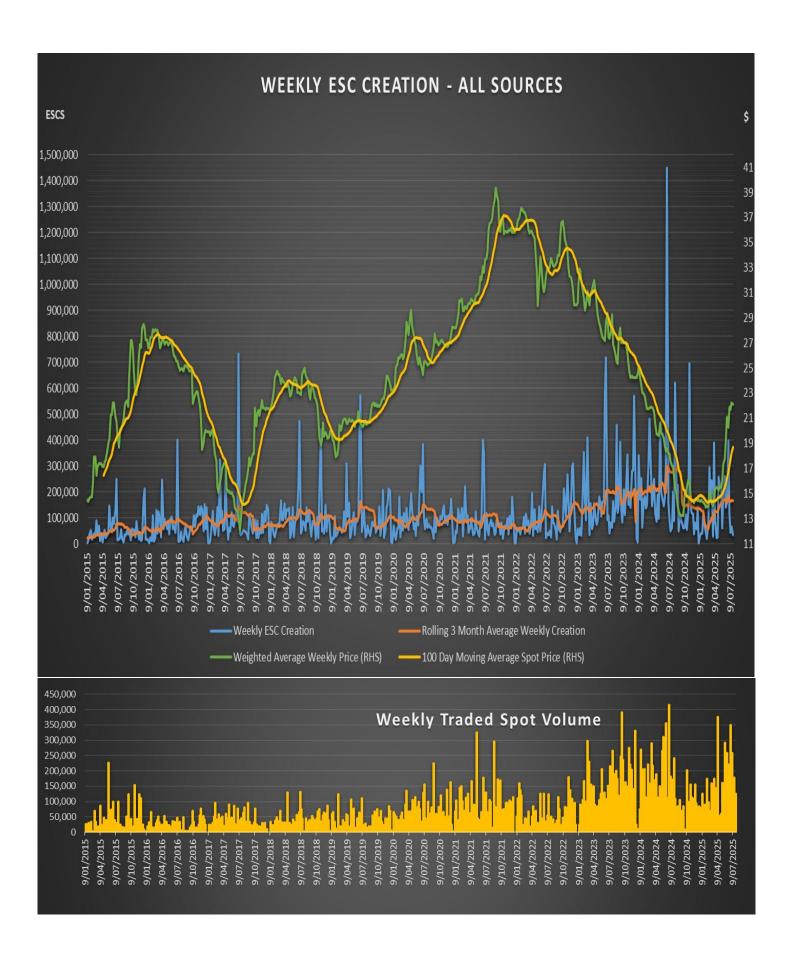
We are still waiting for the ruling on the cancellation of the Commercial Lighting and Sales of New Appliances creation methods but from these registration numbers even without that impetus the opportunities for ESC installations seems limited.

This dynamic saw the spot market open 25 cents higher, at \$21.00 and the upward momentum continued all month with a high of \$22.80 reached before the market settled marginally lower than that at \$22.75 on trading volume of 861,000 ESCs.

The forward market saw 341,000 certificates trade for delivery between August this year and July 2026 at a cost of carry of around 5%.







#### **NSW PRC**

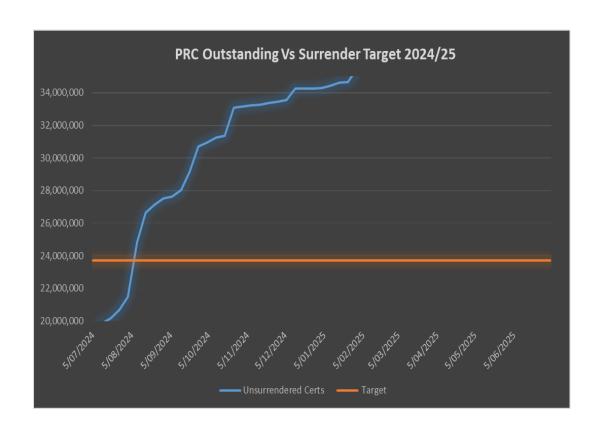
PRC prices remained steady near last month's high close

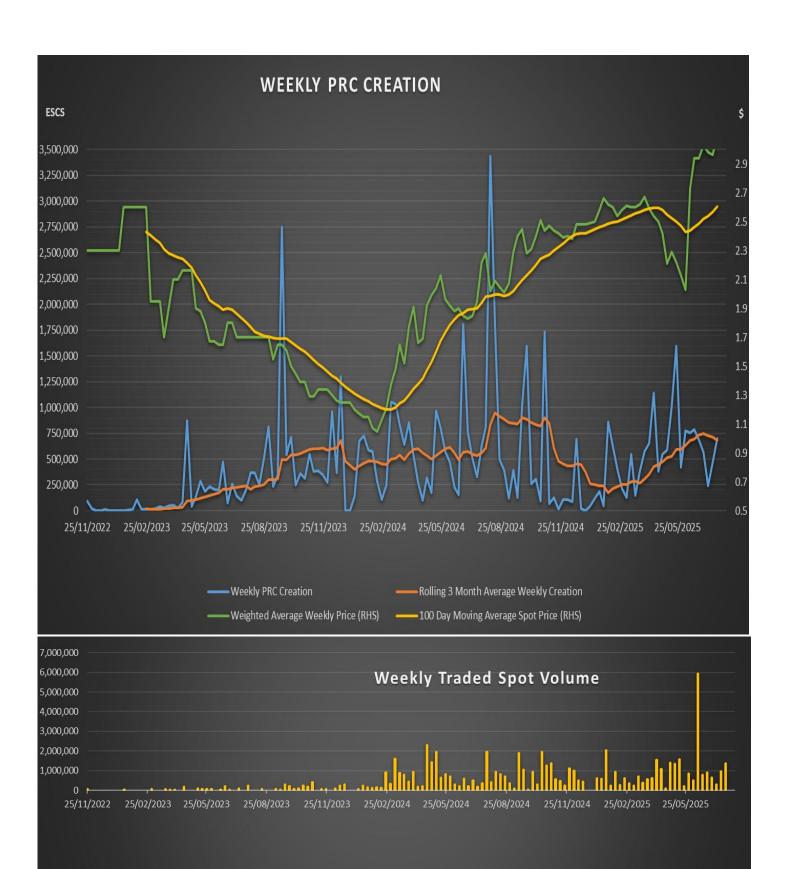
Certificate creation came in at 2.688 million PRCs as the last of the battery subsidy scheme certificates get registered.

Until there is some indication of new creation methods, or a change to future targets, it is difficult to see any major price moves occurring.

The spot market opened at \$3.10, a 10 cent drop on last month's close and initially fell to reach a low of \$2.92. Buying returned however and the market closed at \$3.05 on turnover of 3.71 million certificates.

The forward market saw just over a million PRCs trade for delivery from the end of July to February 2026 at a cost of carry of about 5%.





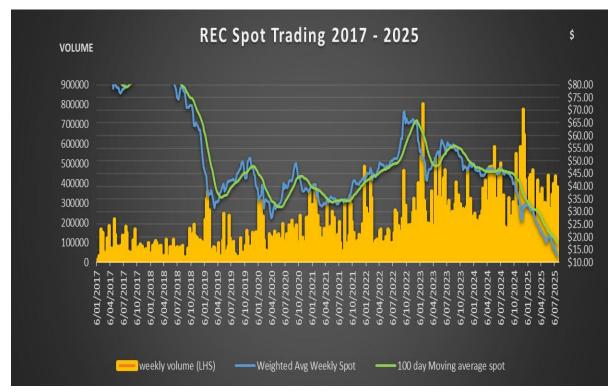
# **Renewable Energy Certificates**

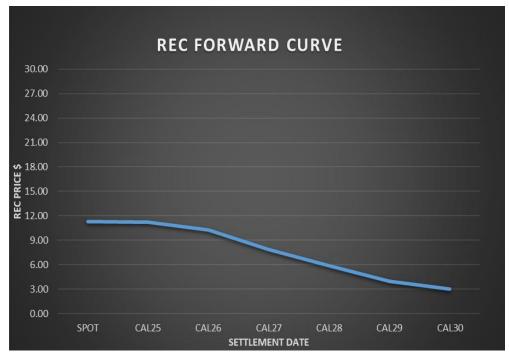
LGC prices seem to have capitulated completely this month.

The recent fall in price across the curve resumed in July and accelerated markedly towards month end.

The spot market opened at an unchanged \$16.50 but declined steadily to the middle of the month before the selling speeded up resulting in a close at \$11.30, the low of the month on trading volume of 1.34 million LGCs.

This pattern was replicated across the curve with Calendar 2025 shedding \$5.75 to close at \$11.25 on turnover of 618,000 certificates. Calendar 2026 dropped \$6.10, closing at \$10.25 on volume of 1.25 million LGCs. Calendar 2027 lost \$5.65 to finish at \$7.85 on volume of 750,000 certificates and Calendar 2028 dropped \$4.35 to close at \$5.90 on turnover of 95,000 certs.





# Small Technology Certificates (STC)

The Clearing House remained in defict this month so any certificated to be traded were sold there at the \$40.00 ceiling price.

Certificate creation doubled in July, to 4 million STCs, as the federal battery subsidy kicked in. This was still insufficient to erase the Clearing House deficit following the Q2 surrender late in the month.

Consequently there were no spot trades and even the forward market saw no deals.



### VIC VEECs

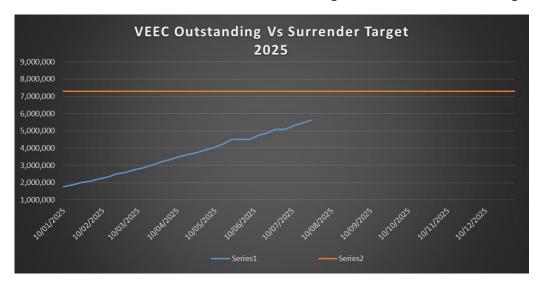
VEEC prices closed July a little higher having leapt considerably mid-month

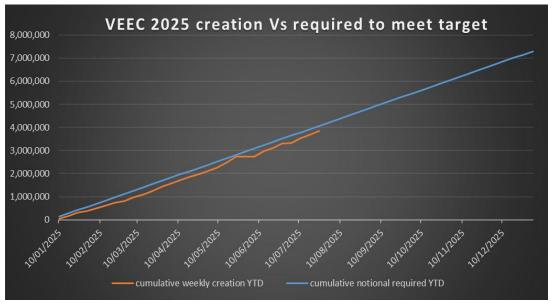
Certificate registrations continued to be robust, coming in at 749,000 as far as we can ascertain from the new Registry.

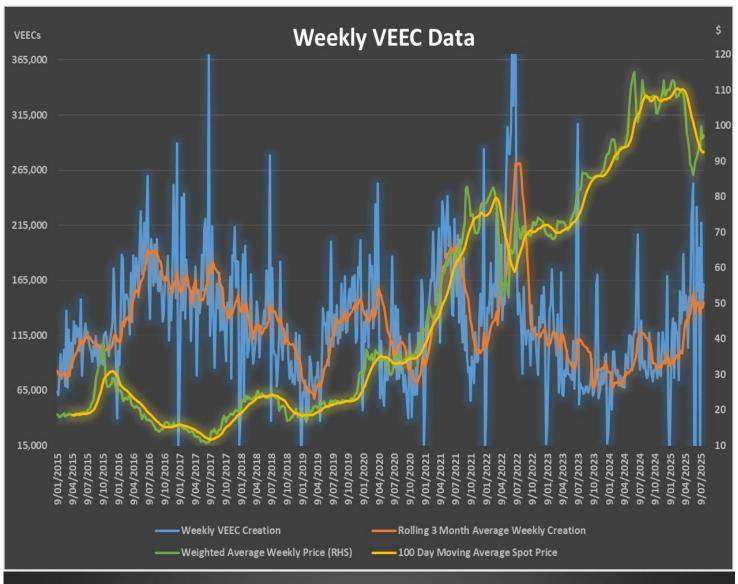
Despite the increase in registration taking the pressure off meeting the 2025 surrender target the VEU announced during the month that they would be making changes to the hot water methodology to cut off commercial installations and increasing the co-payment required from the end customer to rise from \$200 to \$1000. This is forecast to kill off the VEEC creation method currently providing the bulk of new certificates. After first announcing that the method would be cancelled with immediate effect the VEU then gave a grace period of 2 weeks that expired at month end.

Thus the spot price started flat at \$93.75 but leapt to a high of \$103.00 as some hot water installers who had sold forwards as hedges against their expected creation bought back. After that initial flurry, however, the price began to slode back as the newly created VEECs came to market resulting in a close at \$95.75 on volume of 685,000 certificates.

The forward market saw 815,000 certificates trade for delivery from late July to December 2027. Trades settling up to April next year were struck around the spot level while those settling after that dealt at a discount of around \$1.00 reflecting the lower surrender targets for 2026 and 2027.









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