

Australia's first public hydrogen filling station confirmed

The Australian Capital Territory (ACT) government has announced the site will open in December 2019.

To be located at ActewAGL's compressed natural gas station in Fyshwick, the hydrogen refueling station is part of the ACT's pledge to make half its passenger car fleet zero-emission by 2020, reports Motoring.

The new filling station is a joint-venture between the ACT government, French renewable energy company Neoen, Korean car-maker Hyundai and energy supplier ActewAGL.

Public access to the ACT's new filling station is the first step towards a zero-emissions future, said Hydrogen Mobility Australia CEO, Claire Johnson. "With Australia a potential supplier of this hydrogen to the world, it is excellent to see governments here stepping up to support local initiatives and assist the development of a domestic hydrogen sector", says Johnson.

Australian hydrogen fuel pumps in the pipeline

There are only a couple of hydrogen filling stations in Australia to date. However, Toyota Australia has announced its intention to build a hydrogen fuel pump in Melbourne, while electric provider Jemena will construct one in Sidney and the Moreland Council one in Victoria.

The South Australian government is also working on a proposal for a fleet of hydrogen buses, reports Motoring.