

ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE TO THE MARKET****Li-S Energy Limited – ASX Code: LIS****Wednesday, 13 May 2026****LI-S ENERGY SECURES KEY APPROVALS TO SHIP LITHIUM-SULFUR CELLS TO THE USA**

Australian and US regulators clear the way for prototype cell shipments by air, opening direct supply to US defence, drone and government customers

Key Highlights:

- **Air transport approvals secured in Australia and the USA for Li-S Energy to ship lithium-sulfur cells.**
- **Approvals open a direct pathway into the world's largest defence market.**
- **Reinforces LIS' role in sovereign and allied supply chains, building on the Company's AUKUS membership and Paladin Defence Services US representation.**
- **UN38.3 certification underway to enable larger-volume shipments under standard classifications.**

Li-S Energy Limited (ASX: LIS) ("Li-S Energy", "LIS" or "the Company") has secured the regulatory approvals required to airfreight its prototype lithium-sulfur cells from Australia to the United States. The approvals are from the Australian Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) for shipments out of Australia and from the US Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) (working in coordination with the US Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)) for shipments into the United States.

Securing these approvals is a critical operational and regulatory milestone and a prerequisite to acquiring significant supply agreements and revenue.

The achievement marks the culmination of over 18 months of focused effort by LIS' technical and compliance teams, dealing with complex multi-national regulatory requirements and agencies.

Together, these approvals open a direct pathway for LIS to dispatch its purpose-built prototype cells to US-based partners, prime contractors and government agencies for evaluation and integration trials. This is a strategically important enabler of the Company's commercial expansion into the world's largest defence market.

A bespoke regulatory pathway

As a bespoke and innovative ultra-high energy density chemistry, Li-S Energy's lithium-sulfur cells require dangerous goods approvals that go beyond standard lithium-ion classifications while they remain in pre-production prototype form. The approvals authorise LIS to airfreight cells under ICAO/IATA Special Provision A88, the international framework for transporting prototype lithium cells.

A pathway to the world's largest defence market

The United States is the largest and most sophisticated defence market in the world. The rapid global proliferation of unmanned aerial, ground and autonomous platforms is driving substantial demand for advanced batteries that perform beyond conventional lithium-ion capabilities. The new approvals position Li-S Energy to engage US defence prime contractors, drone manufacturers and government agencies on a timely, end-to-end basis, from cell evaluation through to pilot supply.

The approvals complement LIS' AUKUS membership, which enables cell exports to the US and UK without individual export permits, and the recent appointment of Paladin Defence Services as the Company's US Representative. Together, these capabilities position Li-S Energy as a credible Australian contributor to the sovereign and allied supply chains for advanced energy storage that allied defence forces are now actively building.

Dr Lee Finniear, CEO and Managing Director of Li-S Energy, said:

"These approvals give Li-S Energy a working pathway to deliver cells from our Geelong production line directly to US customers, primes and Government agencies evaluating next-generation drone and defence platforms. Combined with our AUKUS membership and Paladin US representation, we now have the operational means to materially expand our US commercial pipeline."

Dr Steve Rowlands, Chief Technology Officer of Li-S Energy, added:

"These approvals reflect the maturity of our cell design and the controls around our innovative chemistry. We can now place working cells with US defence and drone integrators designing the next generation of unmanned platforms, where lithium-sulfur's energy and weight advantages translate most directly into advanced capability."

Next steps

Li-S Energy will commence dispatching prototype cells to US-based partners and customers on a project-by-project basis. The Company is also progressing UN38.3 cell certification, which once complete will enable larger-volume shipments under standard dangerous goods classifications.

This announcement has been authorised by the Board.

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