

16 August 2018

Mr Russell Pendlebury
Australian Energy Market Commission
By email: submissions@aemc.gov.au

Dear Mr. Pendlebury,

Submission to Draft Determination Advance Notice Price Change – Rule Change Proposal – REF RRC0015

Aurora Energy welcomes the opportunity to provide comment on the Draft Determination by the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) in relation to the Advance Notice Price Change – Rule Change Proposal.

In its 29 May 2018 submission to the Consultation Paper, Aurora Energy identified that the rule change for advanced notice of price changes would incur costs and negatively impact Tasmanian customers for no commensurate benefit. As a consequence, Aurora Energy asserted that retailers subject to jurisdictional retail price regulation be exempted from the requirements of the proposed rule change.

Aurora Energy is pleased to acknowledge that the AEMC's Draft Determination provides an exemption *"for consumers with regulated prices where there is no effective retail competition"*. The AEMC also extends the exemption to consumer prices that have changed as a direct result of *"a change to, or withdrawal or expiry of, a government funded rebate, concession or relief scheme"*. Consistent with its previous submission, Aurora Energy welcomes these findings and strongly supports the proposed rule change being finalised on the basis outlined in the Draft Determination.

Aurora Energy is a strong advocate for regulatory outcomes that appropriately reflect the Tasmanian context and commends the AEMC on considering this in the Draft Determination.

If you have any questions regarding this submission please contact Hayden Moore at hayden.moore@auroraenergy.com.au

Yours sincerely

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Kane Ingham
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