

Confidentiality Claims

Application for the AER to make a determination on the methodology for a system security network support service

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1. Confidentiality Claims

This document sets out Transgrid's confidentiality claims for Application for the AER to make a determination on the methodology for a system security network support service in accordance with Australian Energy Regulator's Confidentiality Guideline 2017.



| Title, page and paragraph number (i.e. section and page number) | Description of the confidential information | Topic of the confidential information | Confidentiality category | Why the confidential information falls into the selected category | How and why detriment would be caused from disclosing the confidential information | Why the identified detriment is not outweighed by the public benefit |
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| Ex Ante Application Cover Letter (Paragraph 3) | Whether the expected minimum value of the contract is at, or above the materiality threshold in the AER's guideline. | If the value of the contract is publicised in any form there is a risk that it creates a market expectation that Transgrid's system strength are at the value of at least 1% of unsmoothed revenues (i.e. AER's materiality threshold) | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Ex Ante Application Cover Letter (Signature) | Alex McPherson's signature | Personal signature | Personal information | A signature is personal information which raises privacy considerations. | A signature is personal information which raises privacy considerations. | No public benefit to disclosing the information. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 1, p 3 and p 4) | Contract and assessment details | Contract and assessment specific information | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |



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| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 3, pp 7-11) | Commercially sensitive contract details for the payment methodology | Commercially sensitive contract details | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 4.3, p | Contract cost details | Contract cost details | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 4.5.2, pp 13-14) | Contract and assessment details included within the dot point text (not the dot point titles) | Contract and assessment details | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security | Details of Transgrid's competitive | Details of Transgrid's competitive | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly |

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| Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 4.6.1, pp 15-16) | assessment process | assessment process | | | prices in future system strength tender processes. | disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 4.6.2, pp 16-17) | Details of Transgrid's negotiation process | Details of Transgrid's negotiation process | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Section 4.6.3, pp 17-18) | Details of Transgrid's assessment process | Details of Transgrid's assessment process | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro | Contract cost details | Contract cost details | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that |

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| (Appendix A, p 22) | | | | | | could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Appendix B, pp 24-27) | Contract cost details | Contract cost details | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Appendix C, pp 28-31) | Contract cost and assessment process detail | Contract cost and assessment process detail | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |
| Application System Security Network Support Payments – Snowy Hydro (Attachment A and Attachment B) | Attachments A calculation spreadsheet and Attachments B – key contractual clauses. | Transgrid cost and contract detail | Market sensitive cost inputs | Includes market sensitive information | Could influence Transgrid's ability to obtain competitive prices in future system strength tender processes. | We are not aware of any public benefit in publicly disclosing this information that could outweigh the detriment. |



2. Proportion of Confidential Material

| Submission Title | Number of pages of submission that include information subject to a claim of confidentiality | Number of pages of submission that do not include information subject to a claim of confidentiality | Total number of pages of submission | Percentage of pages of submission that include information subject to a claim of confidentiality | Percentage of pages of submission that do not include information subject to a claim of confidentiality | |
|------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Application | 24 | 9 | 33 | 73% | 27% | |
| Attachment | All pages (16) | 0 | 16 (plus excel attachment) | 100% | 0% | |
| Total | 40 | 0 | 49 | 18% | 82% | |