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Mr Graeme Finlayson General Manager AER Ergon Energy

By email (graeme.finlayson@ergon.com.au; ErgonEnergyAER2015Program@ergon.com.au)

Dear Graeme,

Letter and attachments from Ergon Ergon – comments on EMCa capex report

We acknowledge receipt of your e-mail dated Friday 23 October 2015 on the late afternoon with comments concerning EMCa's capex report.

Under clause 6.14(a) of the National Electricity Rules, the AER may, but is not required to consider late submissions. As previously notified to interested parties, the AER's final distribution determination will be published on Thursday, 29 October before the ASX opens for trading.

The AER will publish your e-mail and its attachments as a late submission on our website along with this, our response letter. However, the submission has not been received within the time limits for making submissions. In addition, it has been provided at a time when the AER is finalising publication processes for the distribution determination. Accordingly, your e-mail has been submitted too late in the process for the AER or any other parties to comment upon your submission in a meaningful way or, as a practical matter, for the AER to address it in the final determination. In these circumstances, the submission will not be considered in the making of the final distribution determination. The AER will take the comments that Ergon Energy provided to it on 14 October 2015, in response to EMCA's report on Ergon Energy's other system-enabling capex revised proposal, into account in making its final distribution determination.

Yours sincerely,

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Chris Pattas General Manager Networks