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## Dear Mr Gebert

## Notice of ring-fencing waiver: AusNet Services - Ring-fencing waiver application - July 2017

The AER issues this notice pursuant to clauses 5.3.1 and 5.7(b) of the AER Electricity Distribution Ring-fencing Guideline, October 2017 (the Guideline).

The AER grants a waiver of AusNet Services' obligation to comply with clauses 3.1, 4.2.1, 4.2.2 and 4.2.3 of the Guideline from 18 December 2017 until 31 December 2020 in relation to the following services:

- public lighting and nightwatchman lights (including: alteration and relocation of distributor public lighting assets; new public lights, and; installation, repair and maintenance of watchman lights)
- emergency recoverable works
- reserve feeder construction.

The AER also grants a waiver of AusNet Services' obligation to comply with clauses 3.1(b) and 4.2.3(a)i. of the Guideline from 18 December 2017 until 15 May 2020 in relation to the provision of electricity services to Mt Baw Baw.

The AER expects AusNet Services to comply with the Guideline in all other circumstances, and in all other respects.

AusNet Services is required by clause 5.7 of the Guideline to include this waiver on its waiver register, which must be publicly available on AusNet Services' website.

Yours sincerely

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