

Australian Energy Regulator

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Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to put my second submission to the second consultation process to the Retail Exemption sought by South Stradbroke Utilities Pty Ltd.

I have noticed that in paragraph 3 of 1.1 -- the nature of retail exemptions & the AER's role it states that:

In practice only the person who controls the embedded network can actually on-sell energy to those customers who live in the premises.

If the Body Corporates own the infrastructure wouldn't this preclude SSU from obtaining the right to sell energy to the individual owners?

If the Common areas are not metered then it would be impossible to determine the usage for these areas which would be substantial. There would be an uncontrolled charge through the Body Corporates for this usage.

In the last paragraph of 1.1.1 Response from South Stradbroke Utilities.

That billing issues arise from strata committees failing to pass on collected levies to Island Resorts {the power operator}.

It is my concern that the shortfall in levies paid is due to unpaid levies of millions of dollars by certain individuals and companies.

It also states that SSU will stop recovering costs for the supply of electricity through body corporate levies as soon as it is granted exemption.

Is this statement saying that the supply of power to the unmetered common areas will not be charged back through levies to the Body Corporates?

Double charging and unsubstantiated charges would be the real concern of individual owners.

I ask that the AER does not grant SSU an individual exemption due to lack of experience in the area of retail electricity and also due to the conflict of interest that may exist between SSU and its owners and the resort.

Yours Faithfully

Anonymous Submitter