Confidentiality claims



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1 CONFIDENTIALITY CLAIMS

The National Electricity Rules¹ and Reset RIN² require us to identify those parts of our proposal that we consider confidential information, and prepare confidentiality claims in accordance with the AER's Confidentiality Guideline.³

The table in appendix A sets out our confidentiality claims for the proposal attachments and RIN responses. All confidentiality claims have been made in accordance with the requirements of the AER's Confidentiality Guideline.

The AER's Confidentiality Guideline also requires us to complete the "proportion of confidential material notice". The completed notice is provided in Appendix B.

¹ Clause 6.8.2(c)(6), National Electricity Rules

² Australian Energy Regulator, Regulatory Information Notice under Division 4 Part 3 of the National Electricity (New South Wales) Law, 30 January 2018, Schedule 1, Clause 33

³ Australian Energy Regulator, Confidentiality Guideline, August 2017.

Appendix A: Confidentiality claim templates

The following table sets out our confidentiality claims, in accordance with the AER's Confidentiality Guidelines.

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Attachment 5. 01– Ausgrid's proposed capit al expendit ure Page 56, Table 20.	4 1 14 1	Capex	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the development of these projects to external managing contractors and principal contractors. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from external suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different suppliers for each project. The successful contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to undertake these capital works will be detrimental to Ausgrid, as we will not a get a market-based price. This is because a market- based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to undertake these capital works will be detrimental to the public interest, as Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money.
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Attachment 5.20 – Non-network property plan 2019- 2024: Pages 23 – 24, tables 24 and 26.	Ausgrid's expected cost of: Homebush depot upgrade Hornsby depot replacement Oatley depot replacement Wallsend depot upgrade.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the development of these projects to external managing contractors and principal contractors. The successful external contractors will manage the design and construction process for capital works. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from external suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different suppliers for each project. The successful contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to undertake the capital works. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's expected costs for these projects it will eliminate the possibility of Ausgrid receiving tenders based on a competitive process. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, then the AER is influencing the price that Ausgrid will achieve in the competitive tender process.	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to undertake these capital works will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected costs will be detrimental to customers. The price may not reflect the true cost to the competing tenderers and may not represent best value. This means that customers may not get best value for money. Competing tenderers who may not be aware of this information will be disadvantaged relative to other competing tenders who are.	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to undertake these capital works will be detrimental to the public interest. Publication of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the regulatory asset base. A non-market based price rolled into the regulatory asset base is detrimental to consumers who will be paying a non-market based price. This is detrimental to the long term benefit of consumers.

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Attachment 5.20 – Non-network property plan 2019- 2024 Page 3 – executive summary Page 24, section 4.7.2	Disposal value of Zetland depot property	Сарех	Strategic information	The information relates to Ausgrid's estimation of the market value of a Zetland Depot property. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, then the AER may be influencing the price. The concern is that Ausgrid may not get the benefit of a market-based price.	Any disclosure of this information will be detrimental to Ausgrid, and its customers, and competing suppliers. The price may create a value bias by suppliers preparing their bids for the work. Ausgrid may not get a true market-based price for the upgrade of Homebush depot.	There is no benefit of disclosing Ausgrid's market value of the property. The detriment is that it may influence the tender prices submitted by contractors for the upgrade of the depot. The disclosure of the information will be detrimental to consumers. There is no benefit in disclosing the information.
Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 1 – Homebush Depot Upgrade Pages 3, 9, 13	Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade Homebush depot.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the upgrade of Homebush depot to an external managing contractor. The managing contractor will manage the design and construction process for the upgrade of Homebush depot. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different managing contracting service suppliers. The successful managing contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to upgrade the Homebush depot. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade the Homebush depot will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade the Homebush depot will be detrimental to customers. The price	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade of the Homebush depot will be detrimental to the public interest. Publication of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 2 – Hornsby Depot Replacement Pages 3, 7, 9, 12	Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Hornsby depot with new depot at Mt Kuring-gai.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the development of the new Mt. Kuringgai depot to an external managing contractor. The successful contractor will manage the design and construction process for Mt. Kuring-gai depot. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different managing contractors. The successful contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to develop the new depot. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's expected cost to develop the new depot, it will eliminate the possibility	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to develop the Mt. Kuring-gai depot will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to develop the Mt. Kuring-gai. depot will be detrimental to customers. The price may not reflect	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to develop the Mt. Kuring- gai depot will be detrimental to the public interest. Public disclosure of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competition suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the regulatory asset base. A non-market based price

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 2 – Hornsby Depot Replacement Pages 3, 7, 9, 12	Ausgrid's expected market value of Mt. Kuring-gai site.	Сарех	Strategic information	The information relates to Ausgrid's estimation of the market value of a Hornsby depot. Disclosure of its market value may influence the price that Ausgrid receives from managing contractors competing to undertake the development at Mt. Kuring-gai. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, he AER may be influencing the price of developing the site. The concern is that Ausgrid may not get the benefit of a market-based price.	Any disclosure of this information will be detrimental to Ausgrid, and its customers, competing suppliers. The price may create a value bias by suppliers preparing their bids for the work. Ausgrid may not get a true market-based price for the upgrade of	There is no benefit of disclosing Ausgrid's market value of the property. The detriment is that it may influence the tender prices submitted by contractors for the development of the depot. The disclosure of the information will be detrimental to consumers. There is no benefit in disclosing the information.

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 4 – Oatley Depot Replacement Pages 3, 7, 9, 13	Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Oatley depot.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the capital works to replace Oatley depot to an external managing contractor. The successful managing contractor will manage the design and construction process for the replacement of Oatley depot. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from managing contractor service suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different managing contracting service suppliers. The successful managing contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to replace Oatley depot. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Oatley depot it will eliminate the possibility of Ausgrid receiving tenders based on a competitive process. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information (expected value of the capital works) then the AER is influencing the price that Ausgrid will achieve in the competitive tender process.	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Oatley depot will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Oatley depot will be detrimental to customers. The tender price may not reflect the true cost to the competing tenderers and may not represent best value. This means that customers may not get best value for money. Competing tenderers who may not be aware of this information will be disadvantaged relative to other competing tenders who are.	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to replace Oatley depot will be detrimental to the public interest. Publication of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the regulatory asset base. A non-market based price rolled into the regulatory asset base is detrimental to consumers who will be paying a non-market based price. This is detrimental to the long term benefit of consumers.

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 5 – Wallsend Depot Upgrade Pages 3, 8, 12	Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade Wallsend depot.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing the upgrade of Wallsend depot.to an external managing contractor. The successful managing contractor will manage the design and construction process for the upgrade of Wallsend depot. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from managing contractor service suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different managing contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to upgrade the Wallsend depot. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade Wallsend depot it will eliminate the possibility of Ausgrid receiving tenders based on a competitive process. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, then the AER is influencing the price that Ausgrid will achieve in the competitive tender process.	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade the Wallsend depot will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade the Wallsend depot will be detrimental to customers. The price may not reflect the true cost to the competing tenderers and may not represent best value. This means that customers may not get best value for money. Competing tenderers who may not be aware of this information will be disadvantaged relative to other competing tenders who are.	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to upgrade of the Wallsend depot will be detrimental to the public interest. Publication of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the regulatory asset base. A non-market based price rolled into the regulatory asset base is detrimental to consumers who will be paying a non-market based price. This is detrimental to the long term benefit of consumers.

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 6 – Wallsend Office Replacement (Beresfield) Pages 3, 10, 13	Ausgrid's expected cost to establish a new office at Beresfield. This will replace Wallsend office.	Сарех	Strategic information	Ausgrid will be outsourcing construction of the new Beresfield office to an external managing contractor. The successful managing contractor will manage the design and construction process. Ausgrid will undergo a procurement process to obtain quotes from managing contractor service suppliers for undertaking the work. Ausgrid will be seeking tenders from at least three different managing contracting service suppliers. The successful managing contractor will be selected based on the best value for money. The information indicates the expected cost to construct the Beresfield office. If the AER publishes Ausgrid's expected cost to construct the Beresfield office it will eliminate the possibility of Ausgrid receiving tenders based on a competitive process. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, then the AER is influencing the price that Ausgrid will achieve in the competitive tender process.	Public disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to construct the Beresfield office will be detrimental to Ausgrid. Ausgrid will not a get a market Ausgrid will not a get a market-based price if this information is provided publicly. This is because a market-based price relies on suppliers basing tender prices on their costs to supply the service. Disclosure of Ausgrid's expected cost to construct the Beresfield office will be detrimental to customers. The price may not reflect the true cost to the competing tenderers and may not represent best value. This means that customers may not get best value for money. Competing tenderers who may not be aware of this information will be disadvantaged relative to other competing tenders who are.	Publication of Ausgrid's expected cost to construct the Beresfield office will be detrimental to the public interest. Publication of the expected cost means that Ausgrid is unlikely to receive a true market price for the project. There is a risk that the tenders from competing suppliers may not represent best value for money. This non-market based price received by Ausgrid will be rolled into the regulatory asset base. A non-market based price rolled into the regulatory asset base is detrimental to consumers who will be paying a non-market based price. This is detrimental to the long term benefit of consumers.

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Attachment 5.21 – Non-network property business cases – Business Case 7 – Zetland Depot Replacement (Alexandria) Page 3, 5 and 14.	Ausgrid's expected market value of Zetland depot, (which is being replaced)	Сарех	Strategic information	The information relates to Ausgrid's estimation of the market value of the Zetland depot site. Ausgrid may decide to sell this site. This may depend on a number of other factors. Competition by definition means that no one party has the ability to influence the price. By disclosing this information, the AER is potentially influencing the price that Ausgrid will achieve for site.	Any disclosure of this information will be detrimental to Ausgrid and its customers. Disclosing the price may set the maximum amount for the purchase of the site. Ausgrid may not get a true market-based price in the event that the site is sold.	There is no benefit of disclosing Ausgrid's market value of the property. The detriment is that it may influence the price that Ausgrid receives in the market for the site. The disclosure of the information will be detrimental to consumers. Asset disposal is netted off the value of the regulatory asset base. A price that is not based on a truly competitive process may result in a lower price than the true market price. This is detrimental to the long term benefit of consumers.
Attachment 7.02 – Averaging periods Page 3.	Observation periods for setting the allowed return on capital	Rate of return	Other	The information sets out he periods over which Ausgrid is likely to issue debt or enter into hedging transactions. If the information is made public, it would likely to lead to opportunistic behaviour that results in Ausgrid and consumers paying higher debt costs than would otherwise be the case.	If the information is made public, it would likely to lead to opportunistic behaviour that results in Ausgrid and consumers paying higher debt costs than would otherwise be the case.	There is no public benefit from the averaging periods being made public. There is only a detriment outlined in the previous two columns.

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Attachment 8.08 – Ausgrid - Public Lighting - Pre 2009 'Fixed Charge' model FY20-24 (CONFIDENTIAL).xl sm • 'Report - Charges' B4:H106 • 'Input - Customer Inventory FY15' Column B • 'Calc - RAB 2020-24', Column A • 'Calc - Customer Charges', Column A - AC • 'Calc - Residual Values 1', Column B	This model calculates the allocation of the RAB to each customer and has specific customer billing information.	Сарех	Customer specific prices	The output of this model is fixed a public lighting charge for each customer. This is confidential as it discloses each of the customers' bills. This price list can be found in the confidential version of the public lighting price list.	There is no specific detriment to Ausgrid arising from the disclosure of the information.	There is no identifiable public benefit in disclosing this information. The public version of this model substitutes the actual customer names with dummy names. Functionality and structure of the model remain intact.
Attachment 8.12 – Ausgrid - Public Lighting - Price List (CONFIDENTIAL).xl xs • 'Annual RAB return per customer'	This model lists each customer's pre 2009 public lighting fixed charge.	Customer specific prices	Other – third party pricing information	These prices have been kept confidential during the 2009-14 period. They are actual customer charges for the period.	No detriment to Ausgrid in disclosure of these prices. Any potential detriment from the disclosure would arise for the customers through the disclosure of their pricing information.	No detriment to Ausgrid, therefore not applicable

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Attachment 9.02 – Nominated cost pass through events pp 20-21, column 3 of Table A.1 in Appendix A page 23, bullet points in section A.1 pp 23-27, columns 4, 5 and 6 in Table A.1.1 in section A.1	including limits purchase and deductibles.	Opex Pass through	Strategic information	Information is sensitive for insurance market negotiation/tender purposes. The maximum amount of insurance limit purchased and/or deductible are generally acknowledged as commercially sensitive information the disclosure of which would adversely impact on Ausgrid's ability to negotiate a fair and competitive price for insurance cover during the remainder of the regulatory control period as well as the nature and form of claims received by Ausgrid.	Disclosing information would affect ability to negotiate competitive insurance renewal premiums as insurance market could use this information to their advantage and jeopardise Ausgrid's appropriate negotiating advantage it has in relation to this information. Disclosing limit information could also encourage additional claims (including size of claims), especially for general liability which could lead to increased insurance premiums and in turn increased costs for customers.	Higher insurance premiums (i.e. increased opex) are not in the public interest as adds to the price of electricity for consumers.

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Attachment 10.05 – Tariff model (SCS) – Whole Model	This model provides the indicative DUOS, TUOS and CCF prices for individual large business customer sites.	Pricing	Other	Unlike the published network tariffs, the network tariffs applying to large business customers apply at the individual site level. We are confidentiality over the whole model to prevent "backsolving" of confidential information and to protect Ausgrid's proprietary model.	The publication of the network tariffs for these customers will reveal commercially sensitive cost information to their competitors.	The publication of the network tariffs for these customers is not in the long-term interest of our customers given that any short-term economic gain from increased pricing transparency will be outweighed by a long-term economic loss from undermining the operation of competitive market forces.
Attachment 10.10 – Indicative pricing schedule – DUOS Attachment 10.11 – Indicative pricing schedule – TUOS Attachment 10.13 – Indicative pricing schedule – CCF • pages 2 – 6 in each schedule	This attachment provides the indicative DUOS, TUOS, CCF prices for individual large business customer sites.	Pricing	Other	Unlike the published network tariffs, the network tariffs applying to large business customers apply at the individual site level.	The publication of the network tariffs for these customers will reveal commercially sensitive cost information to their competitors.	The publication of the network tariffs for these customers is not in the long-term interest of our customers given that any short-term economic gain from increased pricing transparency will be outweighed by a long-term economic loss from undermining the operation of competitive market forces.
Attachment 10.12 – Indicative pricing schedule – ACS Pages 17 - 22	The annual bill for pre-2009 public lighting assets which we are forecasting for each public lighting customer	Public lighting charges	Personal information	The information includes each of our customers' names along with their forecast annual bill for pre-2009 assets which, if disclosed, could raise privacy considerations.	Our customers' privacy would be breached if their annual bill for pre- 2009 public lighting assets was disclosed without their consent.	There is no public benefit from the customer data being made public.

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Attachments to Sch	nedule 1 (Written RIN	response)				
RIN10 – Vegetation compliance audit Appendix A (Response to paragraph 28.1 of Schedule 1)	The confidential information contained in Appendix A includes: Contract numbers Compliance (performance) scores for various Contractors. Various Contractor name and address details Car Registration Plate numbers	Vegetation management (opex)	Personal Information Other	 The contracts are considered commercial in confidence. As there are only two contractors per region, if the affected contractors viewed this data they could determine a competitor's performance from the data provided. Some of the sample reports describe a specific contractor's performance including nonconformances. Names, addresses and car registration plate numbers are all personal information. 	 This is just a sample of compliance reporting for some contractors, not all compliance reporting as the volume would be extremely large. Information that, if disclosed, may result in damage to a contractor's commercial interests or reputation. This may provide an unfair advantage or disadvantage in the future to contractors seeking work. 	There is no public benefit from the compliance audits being made public. There is only the detriment outlined in the previous two columns.

Appendix B: Proportion of confidentiality material notice

The following table sets out our completed proportion of confidential information notice, in accordance with the AER's Confidentiality Guidelines.

For the purpose of this notice, we have assumed that one sheet in an Excel model is equivalent to one page.

Table 2. Proportion of confidential information

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
Ausgrid Regulatory Proposal for 1 July 2019 – 30 June 2024	134	3,070	3,204	4. 2%	95. 8%

NOTE: This is an approximate indication of the proportion of Ausgrid's Regulatory Proposal for 1 July 2019 to 30 June 2024 that is subject to a claim of confidentiality compared to that which is not.