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Dear Mr Anderson

**Re: Submission from WSROC and Bankstown City Council's Position of Public Lighting**

It has come to my attention that the Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC)' submission dated 11 September 2012 to the AER's current review of the Framework and Approach for NSW electricity network pricing includes an incorrect statement about Bankstown City Council's position on its preferred regulatory approach to determination of public lighting pricing in NSW.

WSROC's submission states that, "Although Bankstown City Council is not part of the WSROC submission they independently have supported the same approach....".

I am writing to clarify and reiterate that Bankstown City Council does not support the position taken by WSROC or their consultants in their submissions advocating an immediate move to a negotiated pricing framework for public lighting in NSW.

Reference should be made to Bankstown City Council's submission to the AER dated 28 August 2012 which expresses Council's full support for the SSROC's submission and agrees with the AER's preliminary position in the F&A paper to classify public lighting as an alternative control service, with effective regulatory oversight from the AER on pricing and other matters.

If you require further information or would like to discuss this matter, please contact Anthony Vangi (Anthony.vangi@bankstown.nsw.gov.au), Council's Acting Director City Infrastructure and Assets on (02) 9707 9885 or myself (matthew.stewart@bankstown.nsw.gov.au) on (02) 9707 9524.

Yours sincerely



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