Mr Sebastian Roberts General Manager Australian Energy Regulator

Via email evoenergy2019-24@aer.gov.au

11 January 2019

Dear Mr Roberts,

The ETU NSW Branch is responding to your call for public submissions on your draft decision on Evoenergy.

The ETU NSW Branch has collaborated with the McKell Institute in our submission.

We respect and understand the important role the AER plays in regulating the distribution networks and we appreciate the opportunity allowed to us to contribute to your determination so that you may take into consideration the views, concerns and priorities of the workforce of Evoenergy and the broader community.

While we acknowledge the need for continuous efficiencies, we will strongly argue that these should be weighed against the priorities of:

- maintaining the utmost safety for workers and the public
- ensuing best practice in work procedures are in place
- maintaining the highest level of reliability in electricity supply
- delivering genuine cost saving to the end user
- ensuring the long-term efficiency and capacity of the workforce.

We trust you will look favourable on our submission and should you have any follow up questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact myself or our Operations Officer, Mr George Houssos on 02 9267 4844.

Yours sincerely,

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