

Appendix F: Approach to confidential information

Introduction and summary of changes

Ergon Energy recognises the importance of our customers and other stakeholders having access to sufficient information to understand and assess our Regulatory Proposal, and how it may affect their interests. However, in limited cases, publishing certain information may be detrimental to Ergon Energy and our customers.

Accordingly, we have made a number of confidentiality claims in accordance with the AER's Confidentiality Guideline. These claims have been updated to reflect our revised documentation suite.

Customer benefits

We have published all of the documents we see as valuable to our customers and other stakeholders on our website to make the information as accessible as we can.

We have limited our confidentiality claims to information that is truly confidential.

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1 Background

Ergon Energy recognises the importance of stakeholders having access to sufficient information to understand and assess the substance of this Regulatory Proposal, including how it may affect their interests. In preparing this Regulatory Proposal, Ergon Energy has sought to balance disclosure with the need to appropriately maintain confidentiality over certain information (as recognised by the categories of confidential information listed in the AER's Confidentiality Guideline).

Clause 6.8.2(c)(6) of the NER allows Ergon Energy to nominate those sections of the Regulatory Proposal and any supporting documents we believe contain confidential information.

2 Confidentiality template

While there is no confidential information contained in this main proposal document, some of the information we have provided in our supporting documentation is information that Ergon Energy believes should be treated by the AER as confidential and not be published.

Ergon Energy has completed a confidentiality claim template for those documents that contain confidential information in accordance with the AER's Confidentiality Guideline (refer to 11.01.01 – *(Revised) Confidentiality Template*).

Our claims of confidentiality broadly relate to the following types of information:

- payments made to customer owned embedded generators
- manufacturer defects
- intellectual property
- information which is subject to legal professional privilege
- voltage issues
- labour rates and fleet rates used in Alternative Control Service pricing
- proposed averaging periods for estimating the prevailing rate of return on debt
- insurance and self-insurance.

Further information for each confidentiality claim, including reasons for the confidentiality claim, are provided in the template.

Consistent with the AER's Confidentiality Guideline, each document that contains confidential information has been marked as such and a public version provided.

3 Supporting documentation

The following documents referenced in this appendix accompany our Regulatory Proposal:

Name	Ref	File name
(Revised) Confidentiality Template	11.01.01	(Revised) Confidentiality template

Glossary

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics
ACT	Australian Capital Territory
AEMC	Australian Energy Market Commission
AEMO	Australian Energy Market Operator
AER	Australian Energy Regulator
ARR	Annual Revenue Requirement
Augex	Augmentation expenditure
BST	Base step trend
CAM	Cost Allocation Method
Capex	Capital expenditure
CAPM	Capital Asset Pricing Model
CCP	Consumer Challenge Panel
CESS	Capital Expenditure Sharing Scheme
CIA	Corporation Initiated Augmentation
CPI	Consumer Price Index
DMIA	Demand Management Innovation Allowance
DMIS	Demand Management Incentive Scheme
DNSP	Distribution Network Service Provider
DUOS	Distribution Use of System
EBSS	Efficiency Benefit Sharing Scheme
EDSD	Electricity Distribution and Service Delivery
EEQ	Ergon Energy Queensland Pty Ltd
EET	Ergon Energy Telecommunications Pty Ltd
EG	Embedded Generator
ENCAP	Electricity Network Capital Program
EO&O	Ergon Energy owned and operated public light
Ergon Energy	Ergon Energy Corporation Limited
FiT	Feed-in tariff
G&EO	Gifted and Ergon Energy operated public light
GST	Goods and Services Tax
IBT	Inclining Block Tariff
ICT	Information and Communication Technology
Incenta	Incenta Economic Consulting
LED	Light emitting diode
MSS	Minimum Service Standards
NEL	National Electricity Law

NEM	National Electricity Market
NER	National Electricity Rules
NPV	Net Present Value
NSP	Network Service Provider
NSW	New South Wales
NUOS	Network Use of System
Opex	Operating expenditure
PTRM	Post Tax Revenue Model
PV	Photovoltaic
QCA	Queensland Competition Authority
QTC	Queensland Treasury Corporation
RAB	Regulatory Asset Base
RBA	Reserve Bank of Australia
Repex	Replacement expenditure
RFM	Roll Forward Model
RIN	Regulatory Information Notice
ROLR	Retailer of Last Resort
Rules	National Electricity Rules
SAC	Standard Asset Customer
SAIDI	System Average Interruption Duration Index
SAIFI	System Average Interruption Frequency Index
SCS	Standard Control Service
SFG	SFG Consulting
SL CAPM	Sharpe-Lintner Capital Asset Pricing Model
SPARQ	SPARQ Solutions Pty Ltd
STPIS	Service Target Performance Incentive Scheme
SWER	Single Wire Earth Return
TOU	Time-of-Use
Tribunal	Australian Competition Tribunal
TUOS	Transmission Use of System
WACC	Weighted Average Cost of Capital
WARL	Weighted Average Remaining Life

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