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Category specific row in Reset RIN Table 2.17.5: > "Forecast category specific opex"	Value of redundancy payments in FY17 and FY18	Opex	Strategic information	The information is commercially sensitive and if made public could be detrimental to future enterprise agreement (EA) negotiations.	If disclosed, Essential Energy may be unable to defend union claims during EA negotiations. This may leave management as vulnerable in negotiating a position in future negotiations.	There is little public benefit in releasing the information and if made available, the detriment to Essential Energy would be greater than any marginal benefit of public release.
Essential Energy-LRMC Model_Commercial in Confidence, worksheets: > "Input tariffs and Quantities" > "Calc LRMC by Tariff" > "Calc Proposed Residual" > "Calc Target Residual" > "Output Annual Compliance".	Site specific prices for individual customers	Network prices	Personal information	Prices are shown for individual customers	Essential Energy's ability to successfully negotiate prices in future could be affected. Site specific customers prices may provide competitive advantage to other large customers in the same industry. Essential Energy may also have to manage possible adverse public reaction stemming from a lack of understanding of factors relevant to setting individual prices.	There is little public benefit releasing information relating to site specific prices. The circumstances surrounding each price is highly individualistic depending on network configuration and having no to any other customer

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Attachment 17.2 Metering Model worksheet: > "Metering AMP"	Contractor Rates	Opex	Market Sensitive Cost Inputs	Negotiated Supplier/Contract prices are included within the models. Prices are contractually subject to commercial confidentiality terms.	Disclosure of contract rate allowances may affect the ability to obtain competitive market prices in future public tendering processes.	Essential Energy is bound to not release publicly contractor rates. There is no benefit to end consumers in making the rates public – this only benefits contract competitors.
Attachment 17.5 Public Lighting Model worksheets: > "CAPEX – Input" > "CAPEX – Stock Costs " > "CAPEX – Hybrid Calcs" > "OPEX Input" > "OPEX Calc"	Contractor Rates	Capex Recovery and Opex Recovery	Market Sensitive Cost Inputs	Negotiated Supplier/Contract prices are included within the models. Prices are contractually subject to commercial confidentiality terms.	Disclosure of contract rate allowances may affect the ability to obtain competitive market prices in future public tendering processes.	Essential Energy is bound to not release publicly the contractor rates. These rates are direct input into the pricing models however with no comparative rates available there is no benefit to end consumers in making the rates public – this only benefits contract competitors.
Supporting document 11.3.1 Analysis of Essential Energy's expenditure over the 2014-19 regulatory control period	2014-19 regulatory period outcomes	Opex and capex	Strategic information	The information is commercially sensitive and if made public could be detrimental to future enterprise agreement (EA) negotiations.	If disclosed, Essential Energy may be unable to defend union claims during EA negotiations. This may leave management as vulnerable in negotiating a position in future negotiations.	There is little public benefit in releasing the information and if made available, the detriment to Essential Energy would be greater than any marginal benefit of public release.

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Supporting document 12.1.2 Risk vs Expenditure Assessment Entire Document	Risk vs expenditure assessment	Capex	Other	Findings made by report have been made under theoretical circumstances and exclude value measures which have been used in Essential Energy's proposal. This may add to public miscommunication when used out of context.	Could be used by media to show Essential Energy is not prudent with their expenditure or is not spending to proposed theoretical limits after a network incident has occurred and hence lead to misguided public backlash.	Essential Energy is transitioning to a vale based methodology for allocation of spend and has been endorsed by customers, as such, releasing this document can lead to confusion of the proposed transition, instead of furthering their education.
RIN Response Attachment R5 Capital Unit Rates Entire Document	Capital Unit Rates	CAPEX	Market Sensitive Cost Inputs	Essential Energy internal and external rates are included in the document. Contract rates are contractually subject to commercial confidentiality terms.	Disclosure of internal and external rate allowances may affect the ability to obtain competitive market prices in future public tendering processes	Essential Energy is bound to not release publicly the contractor rates. There is no benefit to end consumers in making the rates public – this only benefits contract competitors.
Supporting document 12.1.16 Information te3chnology Business Plan Pages 22-26	Estimated Strategic ICT Initiative costs	Capex	Market sensitive cost inputs	Each initiative will be subject to a public procurement process during the next few years. Releasing this information will be detrimental to achieving the next outcomes for customers.	The release of this information would effectively set the market price any may lead to inefficient outcomes. The competitive process would also be undermined which would not benefit our customers.	There is no benefit to end consumers in making the rates public – this only benefits contract competitors.

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Supporting document 12.1.16a ICT Plan FY20-24 Page 36	Estimated Strategic ICT Initiative costs	Capex	Market sensitive cost inputs	Each initiative will be subject to a public procurement process during the next few years. Releasing this information will be detrimental to achieving the next outcomes for customers.	The release of this information would effectively set the market price any may lead to inefficient outcomes. The competitive process would also be undermined which would not benefit our customers.	There is no benefit to end consumers in making the rates public – this only benefits contract competitors.
REST RIN Attachment - R6 Procurement Procedure CEOP0009.06	Entire document	Capex, Opex	Market sensitive cost inputs	Spend threshold levels	If external parties know spend thresholds they could use this to their advantage when bidding for contracts.	External parties do not need to know our procurement procedures.

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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
2019-24 Regulatory Proposal	63	2641	2704	2%	98%
2019-24 TSS	6	191	197	3%	97%
RIN Tables	1	33	34	3%	97%
RIN Response	86	325	411	21%	79%