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Hi,

I'm writing to you in regards to Essential Energy's submission regarding a waiver to the AER.

I'd would like some information on what Essential Energy will be charging in areas that do not have a 'contestable market'. In their submission they make mention of single competitive providers abusing their market power, what is in place to stop Essential Energy doing the same? They may have set prices for certain activities however as Essential Energy are closing depots (or removing employees from the depots) in the exact areas they mention what is to stop them charging travel from depots that the employees will travel from to conduct the work? At the moment Essential Energy are very competitive in areas where they have staff however in areas that they need to travel to, their costs sky rocket.

I would also like to know what the definition of a 'contestable market' is and how it is determined a certain area does not have a 'contestable market'.

Kind regards,

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