

Confidentiality template

Title, page and paragraph number of document containing the confidential information	Description of the confidential information.	Topic the confidential information relates to (e.g. capex, opex, the rate of return etc.)	Identify the recognised confidentiality category that the confidential information falls within.	Provide a brief explanation of why the confidential information falls into the selected category. If information falls within 'other' please provide further details on why the information should be treated as confidential.	Specify reasons supporting how and why detriment would be caused from disclosing the confidential information.	Provide any reasons supporting why the identified detriment is not outweighed by the public benefit (especially public benefits such as the effect on the long term interests of consumers).
<p><i>Tariff Structure Statement</i> for the Regulatory Control Period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2019, "Table B1: Indicative Prices (2017-18) Network Use of System – Standard Control Services", pages 40 - 41, "Table B2: Indicative Prices (2017-18) Distribution Use of System – Standard Control Services", pages 42 - 43, "Table B3: Indicative Prices (2017-18)</p>	<p>Tables B1, B2, B3, B4, B5 and B6 include the indicative prices for standard control services which are expected to apply in the forthcoming regulatory control period to a small number of large commercial and industrial energy users, for whom the delivered cost of energy represents a significant cost input.</p> <p>Individual Tariff Calculation (ITC) is applied to customers whose circumstances</p>	<p>Indicative network pricing (standard control services) applying to ITC customers</p>	<p>Other</p>	<p>If a TasNetworks' document submitted to the AER contained commercially sensitive cost-related information, the disclosure of which would affect the business' ability to compete for non-regulated or contestable services, or impact on the businesses' ability to obtain competitive prices from suppliers, then it could potentially seek to protect that information from publication as a Market sensitive cost input, Market Intelligence or Strategic information.</p> <p>However, because, the confidentiality categories</p>	<p>The delivered cost of energy, including network charges, represents a significant, market sensitive cost input for ITC customers. Given that the identity of ITC customers would be able to be ascertained from the information published in the Indicative Pricing Schedule, the public disclosure of market intelligence of this nature has the potential to impact on those businesses' ability to achieve fair market prices for their goods and services in a competitive market.</p>	<p>There is no value to the wider customer base or general public in having access to ITC network prices because the characteristics of TasNetworks' other tariff classes are so unlike those of TasNetworks' ITC customers that any comparison of the network charges applying to ITC customers and the charges applying to tariff classes would be rendered meaningless, particularly in the absence of contextual information about the</p>

<p>Transmission Use of System – Standard Control Services”, pages 44 - 45, “Table B4: Indicative Prices (2018-19) Network Use of System – Standard Control Services”, pages 46 - 47, “Table B5: Indicative Prices (2018-19) Distribution Use of System – Standard Control Services”, pages 48 - 49, “Table B6: Indicative Prices (2018-19) Transmission Use of System – Standard Control Services”, pages 50 - 51,</p>	<p>are such that they do not conform to a specific tariff class, meaning that the application of averaged shared network charges or postage stamp pricing would not be cost reflective and/or potentially distortionary.</p>			<p>defined by the Australian Energy Regulator are focussed on the impact that the public disclosure of information provided to the AER by a network service provider in meeting its regulatory obligations might have on the network service provider’s business or the security of the network, there is no confidentiality category which specifically caters for network service providers seeking to protect the commercial interests of their customers.</p> <p>Consequently, the “Other” confidentiality category is the only basis available for TasNetworks’ claim of confidentiality in relation to ITC pricing.</p>	<p>Individually calculated customer network charges are determined by modelling the connection point requirements of a specific customer either at the request of the customer or their agents, and are agreed to between TasNetworks and the customer on a commercial-in-confidence basis. TasNetworks contends that the terms of its commercial undertakings with ITC customers, which TasNetworks and its ITC customers have agreed to in good faith, should be allowed to take precedence over the publication of ITC network charges, and that the non-disclosure of ITC prices is consistent with the AER’s intent of giving protection to only genuinely confidential information.</p>	<p>demands that ITC make on the network.</p>
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