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**Mr Jack Fitcher
Chief Financial Officer
Australian Energy Market Operator Limited
GPO Box 2008, Melbourne VIC 3001**

Lodged via email: jack.fitcher@aemo.com.au

Dear Mr Fitcher,

RE: Structure of Participant Fees in AEMO's Electricity FRC Market

Active Stream Pty Ltd (Active Stream) acknowledges the opportunity to provide a submission to the Australian Energy Market Operator on its draft report and determination on the Structure of Participant Fees in the Electricity Market (Draft Report).

Active Stream is an accredited Meter Provider and Meter Data Provider, which delivers digital meters and data services to energy retailers, distributors, and other businesses in the National Electricity Market (NEM). Established in 2014, Active Stream is a wholly owned subsidiary of AGL Energy Limited. Our digital metering solutions enable businesses to fully realise the benefits of advanced metering technology to deliver their services more efficiently and offer innovative products which better meet the needs of current and future energy consumers.

Active Stream welcomes AEMO's positions set out in its Draft Report. We support its decision to:

- continue to levy 100% of electricity FRC market fees on Market Customers who hold a retailer licence. This approach is simple and provides consistency on cost recovery over the transition to metering competition period; and
- reaffirm the move to a fee charge per connection point.

While Active Stream accepts AEMO's decision to implement the connection fee charge from 1 July 2019, we also believe there is merit to bringing this date forward. Noting that all industry participants and those using B2B systems are currently making significant internal system, operational and process changes to align with the revised procedures for Power of Choice reform commencement on 1 December 2017, we encourage AEMO to consider how best to minimise cost and impacts to industry.

If you would like to discuss our views, please contact Helen Stimpson, External Parties Manager (Acting) on 03 8623 8478 or at HStimpson@activestream.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

Jason Clark
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