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Issues Paper: Demand Side Participation Information Guidelines

Energex Limited (Energex) appreciates the opportunity to provide a submission to the Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) on its issues paper relating to the Demand Side Participation (DSP) Information Guidelines. The DSP Information Guidelines will provide AEMO with detailed information on distributed load and generation under control enabling AEMO to apply this information to further develop and improve current load forecasting.

Energex's comments with respect to the specific questions raised in the issues paper are provided in **Attachment A**.

Energex supports the move towards greater visibility of distributed controllable load and generation and the application of this information to improve forecasting and optimise network operations. However, Energex considers that the information guidelines in their proposed form as detailed in the data model presented in Appendix A of the Issues Paper will impose substantial additional regulatory and administrative obligations on Registered Participants. Energex stresses that care should be taken to ensure that the requirements will add value and that the costs of compliance are likely to be outweighed by the expected benefits to energy market stakeholders and consumers of electricity.

Energex has also contributed to Energy Networks Australia's (ENA's) submission on the issues paper and is generally supportive of the views contained therein.

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