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Audrey Zibelman
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Via email: oliver.derum@aemo.com.au

Dear Ms Zibelman,

RE: SUBMISSION TO GENERATION INFORMATION GUIDELINE

TasNetworks welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Australian Energy Market Operator's (AEMO) Generation Information Guidelines (GIG) Consultation Paper.

TasNetworks is the Transmission Network Service Provider (TNSP), Distribution Network Service Provider (DNSP) and Jurisdictional Planner (JP) in Tasmania. TasNetworks is also the proponent behind Marinus Link, a new interconnector between Tasmania and Victoria. The focus in all of these roles is to deliver safe and reliable electricity network services to Tasmanian and National Electricity Market (NEM) customers at the lowest sustainable prices. TasNetworks is therefore appreciative of the AEMO's efforts to review the interim GIG arrangements under a full Rules consultation procedure.

TasNetworks supports AEMO's decision to adopt the same provisions contained in the Interim GIG for the contents, data sources, update intervals and information necessary to be classified as a Project Developer. TasNetworks considers the information required and the procedures developed for the Interim GIG strike an appropriate balance between informational utility and administrative burden.

TasNetworks also supports AEMO's proposal to allow TNSPs to use a web portal to submit Key Connection Information (KCI). Compared with the existing emailed spreadsheet approach for providing KCI, TasNetworks considers this will improve security and convenience while minimising development and administrative costs.

TasNetworks is, therefore, concerned with the proposal to replace the web portal with an API approach in future. Some TNSPs such as TasNetworks are unlikely to see the volume of connection enquiries and applications required to justify the cost of bespoke API development. To avoid any

uneconomic impact on customers, TasNetworks suggests the web portal option remain the primary submission mechanism for these entities.

TasNetworks would welcome the opportunity to discuss this submission further with you. Should you have any questions, please contact Tim Astley, Team Leader NEM Strategy and Compliance, via email (tim.astley@tasnetworks.com.au) or by phone on (03) 6271 6151.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chantal Hopwood', with a large, stylized loop at the end of the name.

Chantal Hopwood
Leader, Regulation