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Electricity licence fees 2025-26 – Review of methodology
Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of NSW
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Via online submission

Dear Sir/Madam

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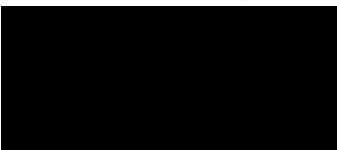
Essential Energy welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal's (IPART) review of the Electricity Licence Fee 2025-26 methodology. Essential Energy agrees that the issuing of ACERERZ's transmission licence requires this review.

Essential Energy support the proposed methodology. The approach correctly accounts for ACERERZ's phased transition to full operation by 2028, with appropriate licence obligations and network indicators, along with a gradual increase in the licence fee during this period.

Essential Energy would like to request IPART re-evaluate the methodology for ACERERZ once it reaches full operation to ensure alignment with other licensed operators regarding network indicators.

If you have any questions in relation to this submission please contact me on 0419 818 115 or via email at hilary.priest@essentialenergy.com.au.

Yours sincerely,



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