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Dr Thomas G Parry Chairman Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal of New South Wales PO Box Q290 QVB Post Office SYDNEY NSW 1230

Dear Dr Parry

Capital Contributions NSW Distributors

Further to our submission dated 23 November, I would like to bring two additional points for consideration.

We consider that the guidelines should explicitly make provision for by-pass to be put in, without any penalty or disincentives that could be utilised by the distributors to forestall competition.

In calculating the capital contributions, which customers have to pay, it is necessary to ensure that, the charges need to recognise future revenue streams from identifiable additional loads coming on-stream in the future. This is to ensure that capital contributions costs could be minimised and that investments by down-stream industries are not unnecessarily deferred.

Yours sincerely

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