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Dear Stephanie,

Draft Determination on Bill Contents – Customers with Interval Meters

The Public Interest Advocacy Centre (PIAC) is an independent, non-profit legal centre based in New South Wales. Established in 1982, PIAC tackles systemic issues that have a significant impact on people who are marginalised and facing disadvantage. We ensure basic rights are enjoyed across the community through litigation, public policy development, communication and training. The Energy + Water Consumers' Advocacy Program represents the interests of low-income and other residential consumers, developing policy and advocating in energy and water markets.

PIAC welcomes the opportunity to respond to the AEMC draft determination regarding bill contents – customers with interval meters consultation paper.

PIAC supports the AEMCs conclusion that a rule change, as proposed, is not warranted at this time. While initially supportive of the proposed changes, in consideration of the technical realities of interval metering, and the relatively limited potential consumer benefits resulting from any change, PIAC considers that there is no likely material benefit to proceeding further with this rule change process.

Further engagement

PIAC would welcome the opportunity to meet with the AEMC and other stakeholders to discuss these issues in more depth. Please do not hesitate to contact Douglas McCloskey on (02) 8898 6534 or dmccloskey@piac.asn.au

Yours sincerely,

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