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Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC)

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Compliance Template Review 2026

Alinta Energy appreciates the opportunity to provide feedback on the AEMC's Compliance Template Review 2026 Issues Paper.

The consultation paper asks whether stakeholders are aware of any new testing or monitoring regimes that could contribute to making more effective compliance programs for performance standards made under the amended access standards. It also asks whether any changes could be made to the Template to reflect updated information on the costs of testing and compliance regimes.

We recommend that any enhancements to monitoring and increases in the frequency of testing appropriately balance the benefits of improved system visibility and security with the compliance burden imposed on market participants. While advancements in technology can enable more timely and granular oversight, care should be taken to avoid introducing requirements that are overly prescriptive, duplicative, or operationally onerous, particularly where existing arrangements are already delivering acceptable system outcomes. Additionally, where feasible, enhanced monitoring and data visibility should be used in place of separate or more frequent testing, rather than in addition to it, with changes being proportionate to the risks being addressed, leveraging existing systems and data sources wherever possible, and allowing sufficient flexibility for participants to adopt fit-for-purpose and scalable solutions over time.

Thank you for your consideration of Alinta Energy's submission. If you would like to discuss this further, please get in touch with me at Oscar.carlberg@alintanenergy.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

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