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Dear Ian,

**Reliability Panel Draft Report - Template for Generator Compliance Programs  
(Reference Code: REL0032)**

Grid Australia generally supports the proposals set out in the above report. In supporting the proposals Grid Australia notes that:

- the template is one element of a wider set of arrangements required to provide assurance that generator performance standards are appropriately established and maintained over time; and
- to ensure that the planned capability and quality of transmission services are achieved without compromising system security or service quality to network users it is essential that generators continue to meet their registered performance standards over time.

Grid Australia emphasises the importance of ensuring ongoing generator compliance with technical performance standards. Among other matter this enables TNSPs to plan and develop network capacity with confidence that service quality can be maintained to all network users. Any uncertainty as to the technical envelope of secure operation of the interconnected system by NEMMCO will result in more conservative limits being applied to power system operation and resultant loss of efficiency and increased costs to consumers.

Yours sincerely,



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