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Re: ERC0346 – Unlocking CER benefits through flexible trading

Dear Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC)

The Australian Smart Communities Association (ASCA) is Australia's only not-for-profit peak body dedicated to advocating on behalf of governments for smart communities in Australia. ASCA works closely with our members across all levels of government to solve problems, enhance policy, capacity, and confidence, and create innovative smart solutions for their communities.

Being at the forefront of smart city deployments, our members have a strong interest in the cost-effective deployment of a wide variety of small energy-consuming devices in the public domain. This includes not just smart street lighting but an array of other smart infrastructure, smart city sensors, CCTV, public Wi-Fi, dynamic signage, autonomous vehicle infrastructure, telecommunications equipment and EV charging infrastructure.

The current metering regime in the National Electricity Market can present high cost and logistical hurdles to deploying these technologies, particularly when separate supply lines and metering cabinets are required.

ASCA's Board strongly endorses the IPWEA submission on Minor Energy Flow Metering.

It is vital that the AEMC and AEMO enact reforms in this area that introduce a simple and cost-effective approach to the metering of small energy-consuming devices.

Should you have any questions about this submission, please contact ASCA Vice President James Sankar for any follow-up.

Yours faithfully,



Bruce Marshall
ASCA President



James Sankar
ASCA Vice President

On behalf of the ASCA Board of Directors.