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Dear Dr Tamblyn

### **Demand Management and Transmission Networks Rule Change Proposal**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the issues involved in the rule changes proposed by the Total Environment Centre in relation to demand management and transmission networks.

CitiPower and Powercor wish to indicate their strong support for the comments made by the ENA on this issue.

In particular CitiPower and Powercor believe that:-

- the most effective way to encourage demand management is to ensure that the regulatory framework provides appropriately balanced incentives for Network businesses. This is contemplated by clause 6.6.3 in relation to distribution networks which already provides a mechanism for the AER to develop a demand management scheme.
- demand management should be considered on an even footing with other options;
- a key issue for demand side proposals remains the high value placed on reliability of supply.

- potentially onerous reporting and assessment processes should only be implemented if it is clearly evident that the benefits will outweigh the costs.

Should you require further information in relation to this submission, please do not hesitate to contact me on (03) 9683 4282

Yours sincerely

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