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### **EVOENERGY: 2024-29: METERING**

This is a submission in response to the Draft Decision “Evoenergy Electricity Distribution Determination 2024 to 2029”.

I wish to comment, at this stage of the reset process, on the issue of Metering discussed in Part 5 of the Draft Decision and in Attachment 20 – Metering Services.

For more than 10 years I have opposed an accelerated roll-out of digital meters in the ACT, given the poor cost-benefit of this in the ACT context.

I accept that it is now appropriate to complete a 100% replacement of accumulation meters in the ACT by 30 June 2030, as proposed by the AER. The time is right for this measure.

Imposition of the costs of this process on a declining base of analog meter customers would be inequitable.

I support the AER’s preliminary proposal that the costs of this process should be spread across a broad base, comprising all electricity customers in the ACT. If this is best achieved by reclassifying the process as a standard control service, I support this proposal.

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