

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REVIEW REPORT

## **Report on Regulatory Templates**

I have reviewed the accompanying Australian Energy Regulator (AER) Distribution Network Service Provider (DNSP) New Historical Data Regulatory Information Notice Templates – Estimated Historical Financial Information (Regulatory Templates) of Ergon Energy Corporation Limited (the Entity) for the years ended as stipulated below, prepared by Ergon Energy Corporation Limited pursuant to the requirements of the Regulatory Information Notice (Reset RIN) under Part 3, Division 4 of the National Electricity (Queensland) Law (NEL), issued to Ergon Energy Corporation Limited by the AER on 11 October 2023.

The financial information subject to review includes the Basis of Preparation and estimated historical financial information contained in the Regulatory Templates as listed below:

Workbook	Template	For the years ending
Workbook 2 – New Historical Data	4.2 Metering - Capex	2017-18 to 2022-23

with the following exceptions:

- i. Actual information that is not materially altered by changes to the cost allocation method or service classifications to take effect from 1 July 2025.
- ii. Forecast information
- iii. Auto populated cells in the Microsoft Excel Workbooks attached at Appendix A.

# Management's Responsibilities for the Regulatory Templates

Management is responsible for the preparation and the fair presentation of the Regulatory Templates, ensuring the estimated historical financial information reported is the best estimate of the information prepared in accordance with Ergon Energy Corporation Limited's Basis of Preparation and the requirements of Sections 2, 3 and 5 and Appendix A of the Reset RIN.

Management's responsibility also includes such internal control as management determine necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the Regulatory Templates that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Regulatory Templates**

My responsibility is to express a conclusion on the Regulatory Templates based on my review. I have conducted the review in accordance with the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards* which incorporates the Standard on Review Engagements ASRE 2405 *Review of Historical Information Other than a Financial Report* (ASRE 2405). This review was conducted in order to state whether, on the basis of the procedures described, anything has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the Regulatory Templates are not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of the Reset RIN, including the principles and requirements of Sections 2, 3 and 5 and Appendix A of the Reset RIN and Ergon Energy Corporation Limited's Basis of Preparation.

A review in accordance with ASRE 2405 is a limited assurance engagement. I perform procedures, primarily consisting of making enquiries of management and others within the Entity, as appropriate, and applying analytical procedures and evaluating the evidence obtained.

The procedures performed in a review are substantially less in scope than those performed in an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards and consequently does not enable me to obtain assurance that I would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in an audit.



Accordingly, I do not express an opinion providing reasonable assurance.

I am independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to my review of the Regulatory Templates. I have also fulfilled my other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code and the *Auditor-General Auditing Standards*.

In conducting the review, the independence requirements of the Reset RIN have been complied with.

### Conclusion

Based on my review, which is not an audit, nothing has come to my attention that causes me to believe that the Regulatory Templates of Ergon Energy Corporation Limited for the years ended as stipulated above, and included in the Regulatory Templates as stipulated above under the heading of "Report on Regulatory Templates" is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the requirements of the Reset RIN, including the principles and requirements of Sections 2 to 5 and Appendix A of the Reset RIN and Ergon Energy Corporation Limited's Basis of Preparation.

I confirm that I meet the requirements of paragraph 6.1.8 of the Reset RIN in relation to requirements to be met by the person conducting the review of the Regulatory Templates.

## **Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Preparation**

Without modifying my conclusion, I draw attention to the Basis of Preparation which describes the requirements of Sections 2, 3 and 5 and Appendix A of the Reset RIN. The estimated historical financial information in the Regulatory Templates has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling Ergon Energy Corporation Limited's reporting responsibilities in accordance with the Reset RIN.

As a result, the Regulatory Templates and Auditor's Report may not be suitable for another purpose.

### Other Matters - Electronic Presentation of the Reviewed Information

Those viewing an electronic version of the Regulatory Templates and the Basis of Preparation, should note that this review conclusion relates only to the documents listed in the table below. Any changes made to these documents subsequent to this, have not been reviewed.

Basis of Preparation – Attachment Name	Date and Time
Ergon 2025-20230 – Reset RIN – Basis of Preparation 31 January 2024 Public.pdf	8 <sup>th</sup> December 2023, 1:15 PM
Template – Attachment Name	Date and Time

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12 December 2023

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