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**Subject:** Energex Tariff Structure Statement 2025 - 2030

I am writing on behalf of the Moreton Climate Action Now campaign in support of the submission by Zero Emissions, Noosa regarding the Energex Tariff Structure Statement 2025 - 2030.

We are particularly concerned that the pricing structure will disincentivize the rollout of community batteries at a time when the federal government is seeking to increase the uptake of renewable energy and put downward pressure on energy prices, and when the need to phase out our reliance upon fossil fuels has never been greater.

In Queensland, where there is a phenomenal uptake of rooftop solar, the missing link in balancing supply and demand is storage.

Community batteries have the capacity to assist with this, taking pressure from the grid, allowing a more efficient feed-in from rooftop solar, storage, and delivering as needed throughout a 24-hour period.

As a climate action campaign, Moreton CAN accepts that a critical factor in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and reaching net zero as quickly as possible lies in the urgent phasing out of our reliance upon fossil fuels.

Community batteries have the potential to contribute to this and need strong support from all sectors.

The Energex tariff structure, as proposed, risks pricing the uptake of community batteries out of the market, at a time when we need to be facilitating all means of optimizing the uptake of renewables.

Therefore, Moreton CAN supports the submission by Zero Emissions, Noosa, and would appreciate this support being taken into account in your deliberations.

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