

# Additional Information Requests from Draft Determination





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### 1 PURPOSE

This document outlines the additional information that the AER has requested in their Draft Decision (DD) and in our correspondence with them since the DD. This document does not attempt to include this additional information, rather it describes the information contained in the numerous attachments.

#### 2 BACKGROUND

In its DD, the AER outlined some information and data gaps in our proposal relating to our ex-post review period 2018-2023. As our RRP outlines, we have accepted the AER's decision on the value being included in our asset base but we have outlined why we believe that our network expenditure was prudent and efficient, and have defended the volumes that we replaced through this period. In addition to the information the AER requested in the DD, the AER requested other in our engagement with them following the DD. This document outlines the set of information that we have included with our Revised Regulatory Proposal (RRP) to help the AER in coming to its Final Decision.



#### **3 ATTACHED INFORMATION**

Table 1 outlines the information that we have included with our RRP.

#### Table 1: Summary of Additional Information

Attachment	Commentary	
Ergon - 5.2.02A - Capex Expenditure Summary CA RIN 2.1.1 - November 2024 - public	This attachment provides details on total Standard Control Services (SCS) capital expenditure by driver, consistent with Category Analysis (CA) Regulatory Information Notice (RIN) Table 2.1.1	
Ergon - 5.2.02B - Repex Expenditure CA RIN 2.2 - November 2024 - public	This attachment provides details on replacement expenditure, replacement volumes and asset failures and is aligned with CA RIN Table 2.2	
Ergon - 5.2.02C - Repex Asset Failure Data Conductor - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.02D - Repex Asset Failure Data Unassisted Pole - November 2024 - public	These attachments provide detailed failure data for each individual asset provided in CA RIN Table 2.2 for pole, pole top structures, overhead conductor, service lines, transformers and switchgear assets.	
Ergon - 5.2.02E - Repex Asset Failure Data Unassisted Pole Top - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.02F - Repex Asset Failure Data Service Line - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.02G - Repex Asset Failure Data Transformer - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.02H - Repex Asset Failure Data Switchgear - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.021 - Repex Asset Age Profile - November 2024 - public	This attachment contains our asset age profile, which aligns with CA RIN Table 5.2.1	
Ergon - 5.2.02J - Augex Quality of Service Data - November 2024 - public	These attachments outline our reliability performance in terms of SAIDI and SAIFI, separating planned and unplanned outages (excluding major events).	
Ergon - 5.2.02K - Augex Reliability and Service Performance - November 2024 - public		
Ergon - 5.2.02L- Repex Poles Root Cause Analysis - November 2024 - public	This attachment outlines our root cause analysis, providing further detail on our pole defect data and demonstrating the underlying causes driving our investment in pole replacement.	
Ergon - 5.2.02M - Repex Bottom Up Reconciliation Volume - November 2024 - public	This attachment provides a reconciliation of the replacement volumes undertaken in our historical expenditure.	
Ergon - 5.2.02N - Repex Poles Failure Mismatch - November 2024 - public	This attachment provides further detail on some of the information we provided the AER in our RP with respect to the categorisation of failure data.	
Ergon - 5.2.02O - 2018-2025 Network Expenditure Program List – November 2024 - public	This attachment provides a project and program list for 2018- 2025, similar that the AER's standardised capex model provided for 2025-2030.	
Ergon - 5.4.01 - Aurecon - Validity of Ergon Energy versus peer comparisons for pole replacements - October 2024 - public	These attachments outline our benchmarking activities against other distribution businesses. The Clearance business case in particular outlines how our unit rates for rectifying clearance issues have been calculated.	
Ergon - 5.2.08 - Cost Comparison of Ergon RIN Unit Costs to the NEM - December 2023 – public <sup>1</sup>		
Ergon - 5.6.01 - Business Case - Clearance to Ground and Structure - November 2024 – Public		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This document was provided with our initial Regulatory Proposal in Jan 2024