

13 February 2015

Mr Warwick Anderson General Manager Australian Energy Regulator GPO Box 3131 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Mr Anderson

Warringah Council submission - Draft Decision on Ausgrid distribution 2015-19

Our Ref: 2015/032374

Council received a letter from Mr Trevor Armstrong of Ausgrid dated 2 February 2015, which provided Council with information about the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) draft determination and how it relates to the Ausgrid proposal.

We have been informed that that the AER is proposing cuts of 42% to Ausgrid's capital program and a cut of 39% to operating expenses.

Warringah Council is in support of increased efficiency and elimination of waste in the energy supply industry as it relates to lower prices for consumers. It is important to note, however, that the pursuit of efficiency should not result in consumers having to accept reduced standards of safety or reliability of the power supply.

Should you have any questions about matters in this letter, please do not hesitate to contact Joe Zappavigna, Manager Traffic and Road Safety on 9942 2300.

Yours faithfully

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Acting General Manager