

Dear Kenny,

We have reviewed the ongoing consultation on the treatment of gas capacity costs in the SEM. We want to express our clear view that we do not agree with any proposal that would result in these costs driving up the wholesale electricity prices. In particular as all electricity users had substantial increases in October from the CER approved increase in Dous, Tuos, PSO and Standing Charges.

Exemplar energy assists a vast range of clients in the development of energy procurement strategies. Our close working relationship with the large and medium electricity users gives us a great understanding of the challenges they face in this tough business environment. The proposed 4% increase will only serve to increase the pressure on these businesses cost base.

I would hope that you will consider all possible options to alleviate the impact of the proposed change.

Yours sincerely,

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