

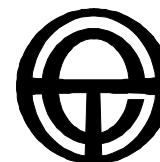
**TOTAL ENVIRONMENT CENTRE INC.**

LEVEL 4, 78 LIVERPOOL STREET, SYDNEY, NSW 2000

PO BOX A176, SYDNEY SOUTH 1235

Ph: 02 9261 3437 Fax 02 9261 3990

www.tec.org.au



**Advocacy Report:  
Project No 248**

Actions March 2008 to June 2008

<b>Advocacy</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Timing</b>
Publicity and media release around report on NSW D-factor mechanism (continuation of Project 195)	AER and other regulatory bodies	March 2008
Submission to AEMC re NERA Draft Report on Review of Demand Side Participation Stage 1 Issues Paper, focusing on the need for DM incentives for transmission	AEMC	March 2008
Participation at Roundtable meeting of NGO consumer and social service groups on NEM reform process		March 2008
Organisation and delivery of consumer advocate & consultants Workshop 1 on TEC economic regulation project (Project No. 280)	CALC and CUAC Ultimately AEMC, AER and other regulators	March 2008
Participation in DRET forum on findings of smart meter CBA, Phase 2	DRET	March 2008
Meeting with AER – Steve Edwell, Michelle Groves, Mike Buckley et al. re form of regulation and DM	AER	March 2008
Article in TEC Newsletter “Total Environment” on the AEMC DNSP reference group and AER DM incentive schemes	TEC supporters	April 2008
Submission to AEMC re National Transmission Planner – Discussion Paper, focusing on requirements for DM within NTP and Regulatory Test	AEMC	April 2008
Media release on smart meters: “Federal government blunders in dumbing down smart meters”	MCE, AEMC, AER	April 2008
Published article “TEC, EnergyAustralia at odds over coupling ‘smart meters’ with in-home displays” in <i>Carbon + Environment</i> online magazine	MCE, AEMC	April 2008

Submission to MCE re Phase 2 reports on CBA of rollout of smart meters	MCE	April 2008
Letter to DRET with recommendations for proposed Smart Meter Stakeholder Technical Working Group	DRET	April 2008
Participation in AEMC DSP review reference group workshop, Phase 2 preliminaries	AEMC	April 2008
Organisation and delivery of consumer advocate and consultants Workshop 2 on TEC economic regulation project (Project No. 280)	Consumer Utilities Advocacy Centre Consumer Action Law Centre St Vincent de Paul Society Alternative Technology Association Kildonan Uniting Care Centre for Consumer Credit Law Qld Consumers Association Wesley Uniting Care Australian Council of Social Services Ethnic Communities Council Public Interest Advocacy Centre  Ultimately AEMC, AER and other regulators	May 2008
Submission to AER re Demand Management Incentive Scheme Issues Paper for Qld & SA, supporting D-factor idea and "learn-by-doing" fund, and arguing for a full review of DM across the NEM	AER	May 2008
Submission to SCO re Regulatory Impact Statement on CBA of rollout of smart meters	SCO	May 2008
Presentation of paper at MMI Conference on "Smart meters & greenhouse emissions" and participation on the panel of "Advanced Metering Session"	Government, industry, community, media	May 2008
Meetings with Federal MPs and Ministerial advisors to advocate for proactive policies on DM, smart meters, ETS and the NEL Objective	Offices of Prime Minister, Climate Change, Environment, Energy, Infrastructure, Shadow Environment, Greens Energy senator (Christine Milne, MP), Bob Brown MP.	June 2008
Modification of draft report for TEC economic regulation project		June 2008
Submission to AEMC Draft Report on National Transmission Planning Arrangements, with a focus on providing proper consideration in the Rules re Regulatory Test	AEMC	June 2008

Participation at Roundtable master class on climate change for NGO consumer and social service groups; presentation of paper on "DM & the NEM"		June 2008
Participation at Roundtable meeting of NGO consumer and social service groups on NEM reform process		June 2008
Submission to AEMC's Demand Side Participation Stage 2 Issues Paper, advocating the investigation of DM as a first choice and the establishment of DM targets	AEMC	June 2008
Finalisation of report for TEC economic regulation project (Project No 280)		June 2008
Published article "Smart meter roll-out looking dumb on climate" in <i>Waste Management and Environment</i> online magazine	General public	June 2008
Production and distribution of smart meter briefing note	Media (general public), federal Ministers, MCE, SCO	June 2008
Liaison with NGO representatives from consumer, environment, and social service groups (face-to-face, phone, email); and participation in the NEM consumer network	NGOs	Ongoing
Report on progress of the project and posting of selected submissions	TEC's website	Ongoing
Consultation with experts on issues relevant to the NEM and consumer advocacy (face-to-face, phone, email); and attendance at information seminars	Various	Ongoing
High-level advocacy based on results of submissions, Rule Change package, Smart Meter report and D-factor report	NSW, national and federal regulators and policy-makers	Ongoing