

NATIONAL ELECTRICITY CONSUMERS ADVOCACY PANEL

Summary of funding decisions made at the Panel's meeting of 13 March 2007

Consideration of applications for funding

1. Application 234: University of Ballarat, School of Science and Engineering - Empowering Rural Energy Consumers through Embedded Renewable Energy: Improving electricity market outcomes through addressing the impediments and opportunities associated with embedded renewable energy generation in central and western Victoria

Resolved that the application be approved in principle for funding of \$62,758 excl GST subject to DB obtaining clarification of the outcomes for the project and advising them to the Panel.

2. Application 238: Major Energy Users Inc (EMRF, ECCSA, EUCV & MEG Tasmania) - Review of AER guidelines for electricity transmission revenue reset

Resolved that funding of \$31,280 excl GST be provided as follows:

- \$20,000 upon provision to the Panel of a copy of the submission to the AER issues paper and provision of an invoice; and
- \$11,280 upon provision to the Panel of a copy of the submission to the AER draft decision, copies of invoices for travel, and provision of an invoice.

3. Application 239: Major Energy Users Inc (EMRF, ECCSA, EUCV & MEG Tasmania) - VENCORP/SPI Powernet revenue reset review 2007

Resolved to defer the application and to invite the applicant to join with the EUAA in a joint project.

4. Application 242: Energy Users Association of Australia - Revenue determination for SPAusNet 2008/2013

Resolved that, in accordance with the discussion on application 239, the application is deferred and the applicant is invited to join with the MEU in a joint project.

5. Application 243: Energy Users Association of Australia - WACC Parameters Rule change

Resolved that the application is rejected as it is premature given that the AEMC has already announced a review of the WACC parameters inside the next two years.

6. Application 244: Major Energy Users Inc (EMRF, ECCSA, EUCV & MEG Tasmania) - Respond to Reliability Panel's March 2007 report

Resolved that funding of \$18,144 excl GST be provided.

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