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Re: Consultation Paper – Authority’s changes to the Security of Supply Forecasting and Information Policy.

Nova Energy (Nova) appreciates the opportunity to once again provide comment on the Security of Supply Forecasting and Information Policy (SOSFIP).

In response to the two questions raised by the Authority for public consultation:

Nova agrees with the Authority’s proposal that the System Operator should apply its judgement and experience to assess electricity demand response. Given its experience with electricity supply and demand coordination and the information and forecasting it has, it is best placed to assess demand response. Nova shares the Authority’s view that there might be a false perception of hydro storage shortage that will negatively impact the market by unnecessarily increasing prices for consumers. This is a risk that can be easily prevented by maintaining the status quo for electricity demand response.

Nova also agrees that the System Operator passing information to the Authority without the need of a formal request under section 46 of the Act is sensible, while ensuring it remains confidential and only the information that it needs is provided. Being able to access information from the System Operator directly removes potential delays, enabling the Authority to effectively monitor the ERCs.

Yours sincerely



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