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Dear Keston

Default Price-Quality Paths for Electricity Distribution Businesses from 1 April 2020 Proposed Process

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above consultation.

We support the process outlined by the Commission. We think that the timeline would work in with the Christmas holiday season and the work we are doing parallel with the government's electricity pricing review (EPR). Having said this, government timelines can change and so we would ask that the Commission be mindful of this and work in with MBIE to avoid any clash with the EPR which may require significant time and resource.

We support and would like to participate in a pre-consultation workshop/meeting as suggested by the Electricity Retailers' Association of New Zealand (ERANZ). The efficient operation of the distribution sector plays an important role in meeting the expectations of consumers. As a retailer, we have direct relationships with consumers and can add value in voicing issues and examples.

We agree with ERANZ that the DPP reset presents an opportunity to encourage greater standardisation of the approach and framework being applied to all distributors.

We look forward to engaging further with the Commission. We support the ERANZ submission.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Rebekah McCrae on 09 308 8237 or by email rebekah.mailbox@gmail.com.

Yours sincerely



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