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EMBEDDED NETWORKS IN NEW SOUTH WALES

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Re: Embedded networks in NSW

Jemena welcomes the opportunity to provide input into the Legislative Assembly Committee on Law and Safety inquiry into and report on embedded networks in NSW.

Jemena owns and operates a diverse portfolio of energy assets across northern Australia and Australia's east coast. With more than \$11 billion worth of major utility infrastructure, including some critical gas assets which form part of NSW's energy system. We own the Jemena Gas Network which distributes 90 petajoules of natural gas per year to over 1.5 million residential, business, and industrial sites across Greater Sydney and Regional NSW.

Jemena supports the points in the Energy Networks Australia submission, in particular, the need to ensure end customers receive appropriate consumer protections.

We would also like to inform the Committee of the market dynamics that we observe regarding embedded networks. Increasingly, high-rise new builds connecting to the Jemena Gas Network opt to use embedded networks; today this represents around half of those new connections. Given this demand, maintaining optionality for NSW customers through any reform process would be optimal.

If you would like further information on Jemena's views about this topic, please contact Stephen Angel at [REDACTED].

Yours sincerely,

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