

The Energy Users Association of Australia (EUAA) is the peak body representing Australian energy users. Our membership covers a broad cross section of the Australian economy including significant retail, manufacturing and materials processing industries. Combined our members employ over 1 million Australians, pay billions in energy bills every year and expect to see all parts of the energy supply chain making their contribution to the National Electricity Objective.

In our earlier submission on this matter, we strongly supported the development of the sandbox toolkit.¹

The purpose of this submission is to support the PIAC submission on the proposed definition of “consumer organisation” for the purpose of providing standing to appeal to the AER for the early termination of a trial.

We agree with PIAC’s view that the proposed definition would include industry organisations like ENA, AEC or CEC given that the proposed definition talks about the *provision* of electricity rather than the *consumption* of electricity.

We agree with PIAC that any standing given to industry associations to apply for the early termination of a trial should be under a separate section of the rules and not under the definition of consumer organisation.

We agree with PIAC’s proposed definition of consumer organisation.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss this submission further.

Sincerely,



Andrew Richards
Chief Executive Officer

¹ <https://www.aemc.gov.au/sites/default/files/2019-08/Rule%20Change%20SubmissionEPR0068%20-%20Energy%20Users%20Association%20of%20Australia%20-%202020190812.PDF>