

## **CONSUMER ADVISORY PANEL**

## **INDUCTION SESSION**

**Date:** Wednesday 21 Septemer 2022, 10:00am – 12:00pm

**Venue:** ElectraNet (Frome St Office)

Purpose: • Panel Member introductions

Review ElectraNet Induction Booklet, with Q&A
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Gain insights on customer engagement priorities

• Discuss immediate areas for engagement and next steps

Attendees: Refer Attachment

## **MEETING NOTES**

#### 1. Welcome

Leanne Muffet (Independent Facilitator) opened the meeting and welcomed Members:

- Leanne lead an Acknowledgement of Country.
- Jodie van Deventer, Simon Maddocks and Rainer Korte were noted as apologies.
- Members introduced themselves and shared what they plan to bring to the Panel. ElectraNet representatives shared their expectations of genuine engagement with the Panel.
- Members discussed the purpose of the Panel, and the role of the IAP2 spectrum in helping to understand the appropriate level of engagement on each relevant topic.

#### 2. Induction Booklet Q&A

Simon Appleby (Manager Regulation and Investment Planning) spoke to the Induction Information Booklet circulated prior to the meeting, followed by Q&A from Members.

The focus of the discussion was on South Australia's rapid energy transformation and the role of transmission, and Members provided their insights and perspectives.

### 3. Customer Representative Session

Mark Henley (Panel Member) shared his perspectives on the role of the Panel and representation of consumers. Mark challenged the Panel to embrace uncertainty and emphasised four key roles of Panel Members:

- 1. Challenge ElectraNet's thinking
- 2. Help problem solve
- 3. Provide a conduit with their constituencies
- 4. Help build social licence



## 4. Immediate Focus Areas for Engagement

Jeremy Tustin (Regulated Investment Planning Manager) provided an overview of ElectraNet's Revenue Proposal, lodged in January 2022.

It was noted that the immediate focus for engagement with the Panel will be on ElectraNet's response to the Australian Energy Regulator's Draft Decision due on 30 September 2022.

## 5. Wrap up & Next Steps

Chris Hanna (Government and Stakeholder Relations Adviser) concluded the session. It was noted that:

- The next Panel meeting will be held on 29 September 2022 at which an overview of the Australian Energy Regulator's Draft Decision will be provided, and the range of outstanding issues on which ElectraNet expects to respond will be identified.
- The Australian Energy Regulator will be holding a public forum on 19 October 2022 on its Draft Decision. It would be an option for a Panel representative to speak at the forum, to be considered by the Panel.
- The following Panel meeting will be held on 17 October 2022, focused on engaging on the outstanding issues from the Draft Decision to which ElectraNet is responding.
- A meeting schedule will also be developed for 2023, and Members are invited to respond with their general availability.



# **ATTACHMENT**

ATTENDEES	
Name	Affiliation / Title
Panel Members	
Greg McCarron	Central Irrigation Trust
Jordan Smith	Business SA
Mark Henley	Consumer Representative
Mark Parnell	Consumer Representative
Vikram Kenjle	University of Adelaide
Rebecca Knol	SA Chamber of Mines and Energy
Leanne Muffet	Independent Facilitator
ElectraNet Representatives	
Simon Appleby	Manager Regulation & Investment Planning
Jeremy Tustin	Regulated Investment Planning Manager
Chris Hanna	Government and Stakeholder Relations Adviser
Apologies	
Jodie van Deventer	Australian Industry Group
Simon Maddocks	Primary Producers SA
Rainer Korte	ElectraNet