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By Email

Dear Ms Sherry

Re: Extension of time for response to TPM Proposal

Thank you for your letter dated 14 June 2016 seeking an extension to the consultation period for the Transmission Pricing Methodology (TPM) second issues paper.

We have considered your request and decided not to grant any extension.

The TPM second issues paper was released on 17 May 2016 with a deadline for submissions of 26 July 2016. This is an extended consultation period of ten weeks, and was set to account for a number of factors, including those raised in your letter. This period is considerably longer than that outlined in the Electricity Authority's consultation charter, which states that a period of six weeks will usually be allowed for consultation with interested parties.

We consider that ten weeks is enough time for interested parties to understand our proposal and prepare high-quality submissions.

I appreciate the AECT's engagement in this process and I look forward to receiving your submission.

Yours sincerely

John Rampton

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