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Treasury and Data Standards Body
Australian Government

By email: data@treasury.gov.au

To whom it may concern,

Consumer Data Right Exposure Draft Rules and Regulations

Aurora Energy welcomes the opportunity to provide comment on the Australian Government's release of exposure draft amendments to the Consumer Data Right (CDR) rules.

In Aurora Energy's submission to the '*Peer-to-peer data access model in the energy sector, Consumer Data Right (CDR) rules and standards design paper*', it requested that to implementation of the amendments to expand CDR to the energy sector be staged for smaller retailers with a volume of under 500,000 customers.

Aurora Energy acknowledges that this view has been reflected in the commencement date of Tranche 2 from 1 October 2023 that applies to non-initial retailers. Aurora Energy is supportive of this approach, as it is outlined in the *Competition and Consumer (Consumer Data Right) Amendment Rules (No. 2) 2021*. This will assist smaller retailers in addressing the significant reforms currently underway in the National Electricity Market. It also recognises the challenges smaller retailers face in comparison to larger retailers.

Aurora Energy will continue to monitor the progression of the amendments to the CDR rules to ensure it will be ready participate in the CDR framework from October 2023.

Should you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Giles Whitehouse, Lead Regulatory Adviser at giles.whitehouse@auroraenergy.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Oliver Cousland".

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