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Mr Andrew Lewis
Executive Director Energy
Energy, Climate Change and Sustainability
NSW Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

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Dear Andrew,

Re: 2021 Review of Public Lighting Code

Southern Lights NSW is a consortium made up of Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO), Central NSW Joint Organisation (CNSWJO), Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils (REROC), Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation (RAMJO) and Broken Hill City Council. Covering 41 Local Government Areas stretching from Bega to Broken, Southern Lights is one of the largest deployments of smart-enabled LED lighting in Australia, with over 75,000 LED streetlights being deployed across a geographic area that is approximately the size of the United Kingdom.

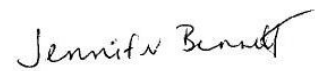
The SSROC SLI Program (encompassing 29 councils served by Ausgrid) and the Southern Lights NSW Program (encompassing 41 councils served by Essential Energy) have consolidated their comments for the review of the NSW Public Lighting Code in the attached submission. Both groups have consulted with participating councils over recent weeks on the items for inclusion in this joint submission. The comments in the submission focus on the following areas:

1. Service Standards
2. Billing & Inventory Issues
3. Night Patrols
4. Penalties / Lack of Recourse for Councils
5. Public Lighting Code Reporting
6. Technology Choice
7. Consultation on DNSP Policy Documents
8. Minor Capital Works / Contestable Works Regime
9. Pole Access Regime
10. Public Lighting Contestability

We welcome further discussion with the Department on this review.

If you require further information or clarification on comments, please do not hesitate to contact me on 0428 690 935.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jenny Bennett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent flourish at the end of the name.

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