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Attn: Strategic Communication Essential Services Commission

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Dear Sir/Madam.

RE: SUBMISSION ON DRAFT CHARTER OF CONSULTATION AND REGULATORY PRACTICE

Energy Safe Victoria (ESV) thanks the Essential Services Commission (the Commission) for the opportunity to have input in to the review of the Commission's draft charter of consultation and regulatory practice (the Charter).

ESV considers the principles based approach to the design and implementation of the Commission's engagement and consultation provides useful guidance to both external and internal stakeholders.

The principles adopted by the Commission are readily understood and clearly explained. They reflect the stated key values of the Commission. The written quidelines assist to show how the principles will take effect.

The approach to regulatory practice is consistent with the approach to engagement and consultation described in the Charter.

ESV is interested in the views and learnings of the Commission from development of the Charter because ESV also has a Charter of Consultation and Regulatory Practice that requires review and update.

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