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Submission to South Australia Government's consultation on Controlled Load Profile and Sample Meters.

Energy Consumers Australia appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposal to discontinue the requirements for controlled load profiles and sample meters in South Australia. We support the proposed changes to seek an amendment to AEMO's *Metrology Procedure*; our reasoning is outlined below.

Energy Consumers Australia represents all residential and small business energy users, and advocates for a future Australian energy system that works for, and benefits, all households and small businesses who use it. Of note, we have long supported a pathway that accelerates the rollout of smart meters.¹

As such, we recognise that the requirement for the development of a controlled load profile for South Australia has limited ongoing value and will become redundant in coming years, considering the accelerated rollout of smart meters. In the short term, it will also become increasingly costly for diminishing value, which will likely be passed through to consumers. Further, we acknowledge the value of consistency across Australia, and note that soon South Australia and Queensland will be the only jurisdictions with these requirements. With all this in mind, we support the proposed changes to seek an amendment to AEMO's *Metrology Procedure*.

If you have any further comments or questions on this issue, please contact Isabella Darin at isabella.darin@energyconsumersaustralia.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

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¹ Energy Consumers Australia, <u>Submission to the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC) on the Smart Meter Draft Determination</u> (June 2024).