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Dear [REDACTED]

PROPOSED ELECTRICITY SAFETY (GENERAL) REGULATIONS 2019

Thank you for reviewing and commenting on the proposed Electricity Safety (General) Regulations 2019.

Recommendation 31 of the Independent Review of Victoria's Electricity and Gas Network Safety Framework recommended the following:

Subject to the completion of a positive regulation impact assessment, Dial Before You Dig should be made mandatory in Victoria following the approach that has been adopted in New South Wales.

The Victorian Government has supported this recommendation in principle and its potential implementation is currently being investigated by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning. The departmental contact for this matter is [REDACTED] on [REDACTED].

As such, it is not proposed to make changes to the proposed Regulations with respect to excavation requirements at this time. We will await the outcome of the Department's investigation and assist with the making of any changes the Department considers to be necessary in order to implement recommendation 31.

We appreciate the time you have taken to review and comment on the proposed Regulations.

Yours sincerely



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