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Subject: COVID19 - Pandemic Preparedness - EOI for ASP Assistance (OH & UG)

Dear ASPs,

The supply and distribution of energy by Ausgrid is an essential service for the people of NSW. This essential service has never been more important than during the COVID-19 pandemic. Important services such as hospitals, nursing homes and essential businesses rely on the supply and distribution of energy to keep the community safe and operating.

Ausgrid's critical work involves maintaining grid reliability and the security of electricity supply, connecting new customers and keeping economic activity continuing in NSW.

During the current COVID-19 crisis, Ausgrid continues to be focused on ensuring that critical and urgent works are able to continue, so that our network can be as resilient as possible in case of severe weather or other events.

Pandemic Preparedness

To support our strategic pandemic scenario planning, Ausgrid is seeking expressions of interest from our external partners, such as ASPs, who may be willing to assist Ausgrid in the event that the COVID-19 pandemic affects our ability to provide essential services to the community (for example if our workforce becomes impacted by the spread of COVID-19, or community lockdown arrangements affect the movement of our workforce).

Unlike previous support provided in response to past events such as storms, Ausgrid is currently seeking expressions of interest for both overhead and underground assistance.

Expression of interest information and submissions

ASPs who wish to put forward an expressions of interest are requested to complete the attached form and return it to Ausgrid via email to <u>ASPAuthorisations@ausgrid.com.au</u>.

All expressions of interest will be registered and, if required, Ausgrid will contact ASP companies to further discuss the situation and any requirements. The submission of an expression of interest does not guarantee that your assistance will be sought or create an obligation for Ausgrid to engage your services, and any engagement will only occur following separate written confirmation from Ausgrid.

At this time no rates have been proposed, as Ausgrid is only seeking expressions of interest for providing assistance; further detail will be provided to those who express interest should it be required.

Please note, these measures may be revisited at any time due to the rapidly changing conditions associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and government response.

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Electrical Safety & Compliance



COVID19 - Expression of interest for ASP Assistance

ASP Company Name			
Postal Address			
Contact Email			
Company ABN/ACN		Contact Phone Number	
Accreditation number (AUC)		Accreditation Grade	
Accreditation Class(es)			•
Company Information - Overhead capabilities			
Company Information - Underground capabilities			