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Dear Anna,

Subject: Submissions to Consultation Paper: NTESMO Revenue Proposal 2024-2027

Rimfire Energy ("Rimfire") welcomes the opportunity to be consulted on and provide its comments to Power and Water Corporation ("PWC") regarding the *Consultation Paper: NTESMO Revenue Proposal 2024-2027*.

## **Comments on Consultation Paper:**

## **Two Phase Determination Process**

Rimfire supports the general principles and approach of the Northern Territory Electricity System and Market Operator (NTESMO) in its proposed two phase process for the 2024-2025 Pricing Proposal, and the 2025-2027 Revenue Proposal.

In regards to the length of regulatory period, Rimfire suggests that a longer regulatory period may be preferable as it that provides greater certainty of charges for retailers/customers and revenue for NTESMO.

## **Tariffs**

Rimfire agrees with the notes of the Utilities Commission of the Northern Territory for supporting separation of the market operator function charge that only applies to the Darwin-Katherine area.

Rimfire supports NTESMO's need for adequate cost recovery, retaining the current approach of cost recovery on a usage (kWh) basis and recoverable through retailers.

Regards,

**Kim Howlett** 

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