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Mr Nigel Clark
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Dear Mr Clark

I am writing regarding the increasing interest in establishing large electricity-consuming industries in Tasmania, including data centres and other major industrial loads.

Noting the recent release of the Australian Government's Expectations of data centres and AI infrastructure developers, governments across Australia are considering policy and regulatory reforms that seek to ensure large new electricity users contribute positively to the energy transition and support efficient development of generation, network and system infrastructure.

The Tasmanian Government supports investment that creates jobs and economic growth while also ensuring that electricity system costs are managed fairly and that existing consumers continue to benefit from Tasmania's renewable energy advantages.

We are currently developing a Tasmanian Statement of Expectations for Data Centres and AI Infrastructure to provide clear guidance to developers. This will be released for consultation in the coming months. As Tasmania's major energy retailer, Aurora Energy has an important role in supporting the development of innovative commercial arrangements that align large electricity demand with renewable energy supply and broader system needs.

In the interim, I encourage Aurora Energy to continue exploring opportunities to facilitate long-term renewable energy procurement, demand-side participation, flexible load arrangements and other mechanisms that support sustainable growth in electricity demand. I consider the Australian Government's Expectations provide strong guidance in the interim.

The Tasmanian Government is actively engaged in national policy discussions and implementation planning. As this work progresses, we will continue to engage with Aurora Energy and other energy sector stakeholders to ensure Tasmania is well placed to capture new investment opportunities while maintaining a reliable and affordable energy system.

Thank you for Aurora Energy's ongoing contribution to Tasmania's energy sector. I look forward to our continued collaboration.

Yours sincerely



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