A Conduct of the inquiry

The Commission received the terms of reference for this inquiry on 9 January 2012. Notices were then placed in the press and on its website inviting public participation. Information about the inquiry was also circulated to parties identified as likely to have an interest.

The Commission released an issues paper on 23 February to assist inquiry participants in preparing their submissions. Forty four submissions were received prior to publication of this report. A list of these submissions is provided below.

The Commission has held informal consultations with governments, regulatory bodies, peak industry groups in the electricity sector, as well as with a number of companies and individuals. A list of the meetings and informal discussions undertaken is provided below.

The Commission would like to thank all those who contributed to the study.

Table A.1 Submissions received

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| Participant | Submission No |
| ActewAGL | 14 |
| AGL Energy Limited | 27 |
| APA Group | 2 |
| Ausgrid | 19 |
| Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (ATSE) | 9 |
| Australian Energy Market Commission | 16 |
| Australian Energy Market Operator | 32, 42 |
| Australian Energy Regulator | 13 |
| Business SA | 1 |
| City of Sydney | 39 |
| Clean Energy Council | 31, 38 |
| Consumer Action Law Centre | 5 |
| Copper Development Centre Australia Ltd | 3 |
| Credit, Commercial and Consumer Law Program (CCCL) QUT | 10 |
| Cunningham, Michael | 28 |
| Energex Limited | 20 |
| Energy Networks Association | 17, 40, 43 |
| Energy Supply Association of Australia | 23 |
| Energy Users Association of Australia | 24 |
| EnerNOC Pty Ltd | 7 |
| Ergon Energy | 8 |
| Essential Energy | 30 |
| ETAS Utilities, CitiPower and Powercor Australia | 6 |
| Grid Australia | 22, 37, 44 |
| Hydro Tasmania | 41 |
| International Power – GDF Suez Australia (IPRA) | 36 |
| Jemena Limited | 21 |
| Loy Yang Marketing Management Company | 25 |
| Major Energy Users | 11 |
| National Generators Forum | 33 |
| Pacific Economics Group | 35 |
| Public Interest Advocacy Centre | 26 |
| Queensland Treasury Corporation | 12 |
| SP AusNet | 18 |
| Total Environment Centre Inc | 15 |
| TRU Energy | 4 |
| United Energy | 29 |
| Victorian Department of Primary Industries | 34 |

## A.1 Visits and meetings

### Australia

ActewAGL

Ausgrid

ACT Environment and Sustainable Development Directorate

ACT Treasury Directorate

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

Australian Government Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism

Australian Government, The Treasury

Australian Energy Market Commission

Australian Energy Market Operator

Australian Energy Regulator

Australian Power and Gas

Basslink

CitiPower and Powercor Australia

Electranet

Energex

Energy Network Association

Energy Retailers Association of Australia

Energy Supply Association of Australia

Energy Users Association of Australia

EnerNOC

Ergon Energy

ERM Power

Essential Energy

Essential Services Commission

Essential Services Commission of South Australia

Gerard Ledwich

Grattan Institute

Grid Australia

Henry Ergas

Hydro Tasmania

Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal

Jemena

John Tamblyn

Landis and Gyr

New South Wales Department of Premier and Cabinet

New South Wales Department of Resources and Energy, Trade and Investment

New South Wales Department of Treasury

Nuttal Consulting

Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator

Powerlink

Q Energy

Queensland Department of Employment, Economic Development and Innovation

Queensland Department of Treasury and Trade

Queensland Department of Premiers and Cabinet

SA Power Networks

South Australian Department for Manufacturing, Innovation, Trade, Resources and Energy

SP AusNet

Tasmanian Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources

Tasmanian Department of Treasury and Finance

TransGrid

Transend Networks

United Energy

Victorian Competition and Efficiency Commission

Victorian Department of Premier and Cabinet

Victorian Department of Primary Industries

Western Australian Department of Finance — Office of Energy

Western Australian Department of Treasury

### Overseas

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (US) — videoconference

Ofgem (UK) — videoconference

Stephen Littlechild

William Hogan