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Terry Niemeier
Director - Program and Market Development - Safeguard
NSW Office of Energy and Climate Change

Dear Terry,

RE: Peak Demand Reduction Scheme - Rule change 2 consultation paper

SwitchDin welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback to the NSW Office of Energy and Climate Change Consultation Paper on the proposed rule change for the Peak Demand Reduction Scheme (PDRS).

SwitchDin is an Australian energy software company that bridges the gap between energy companies, equipment manufacturers and energy end users to integrate and manage energy resources on the grid. Our vision is to help manage and accelerate the transition to full electrification and decarbonisation where we can enable extremely high levels of rooftop solar hosting capacity on distribution networks, while maintaining grid stability and helping to reduce electricity prices for all consumers. We work with distribution network service providers (DNSPs), electricity retailers, inverter original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) and aggregators to enable and utilise flexible export capability.

SwitchDin welcomes the proposal to extend the PDRS beyond demand savings, to include peak demand response and peak demand shifting. We strongly support the plans to make incentives available for the installation of a new behind the meter residential battery energy storage system (BESS) and for signing up a behind the meter residential BESS into a demand response contract. We also support the proposals to modify the rules of the PDRS to simplify participation by pool pumps, and the proposal to drive uptake of inbuilt demand response capabilities in new air conditioners. We would support the future extension of the PDRS to electric vehicle chargers and commercial and industrial batteries.

We would welcome the opportunity to be involved in any further stages of consultation, including participating in industry workshops and meetings.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Darren Gladman'.

Darren Gladman
Head of Policy and Regulatory Affairs