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Eaton Industries Pty Ltd MASCOT NSW 2020

Dear

RIS SUBMISSION—EXTENSION OF RCBO PROHIBITION

Thank you for providing a submission on behalf of Eaton Industries.

Energy Safe Victoria (ESV) received five submissions in response to the RIS which included similar comments on several issues. As such, ESV has prepared a general response to these comments a copy of which is **attached**

I also provide the following response to some of the other comments in your submission.

RCBO prices

ESV is of the view that the market for RCBOs appears to be highly competitive and considers that this may be the reason why the Victorian market is resistant to higher prices. ESV does not believe there is a link between the prohibition requirements and the level of competition in the Victorian RCBO market.

RCBOs with 'pig tail' type arrangements

ESV does not accept removing or changing the scope of the prohibition to exclude these types of RCBOs. ESV accepts that it would be harder for RCBOs with pig tails fitted to be installed incorrectly, however, correct installation does not remove the risk that a prohibited RCBO can become damaged in the future. This is especially so if errors are made when electrical work is carried out at the relevant premises.

Recommendation

After considering the submissions received, ESV has not changed its position on the need for the RCBO prohibition to be extended for a further 10 years. As such, ESV has recommended that the Director of Energy Safety proceed with the extension of the prohibition.



Copies of the submissions received, ESV's responses to them and its statement of reasons are also available on ESV's website (Click on About>Legislation and regulations>Regulatory Impact Statement).

Yours sincerely

