

Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 101-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$36,984 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:

- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gerand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 152(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 152(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 3 March 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$36,984 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$184.92 (Victorian Government Gazette, G16 dated 21 April 2022).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

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Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 102-2024

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- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$36,984 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
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Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

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Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 103-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$36,984 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



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- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 31 March 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
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Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 99-2024

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- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

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 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 30 January 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
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 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act* 2000 and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 20 January 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$36,984 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

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Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 108-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
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- 2. Section 152(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act* 2000 and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 5 December 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 105-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
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- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$36,984 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
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- 2. Section 152(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 27 June 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$36,984 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

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Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 115-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

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- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



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- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

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Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

...a retailer must not disclose or provide access to confidential information about an affected customer to any other person without the consent of the affected customer.

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 8 January 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

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Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 107-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
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 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 17 August 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 118-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gerand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

...a retailer must not disclose or provide access to confidential information about an affected customer to any other person without the consent of the affected customer.

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 29 January 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 113-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gerand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

...a retailer must not disclose or provide access to confidential information about an affected customer to any other person without the consent of the affected customer.

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 19 March 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 116-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 15 January 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 114-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 27 December 2023, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 111-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 18 December 2023, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 106-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 152(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 152(1) provides that:

...before taking action to recover arrears from an affected customer, a retailer must take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time on the affected customer.

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 27 July 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 109-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 7 December 2023, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 112-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 21 December 2023, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 117-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 29 February 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 100-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$36,984 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$36,984 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

Gurand Brody

Gerard Brody Chairperson Essential Services Commission

Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 152(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 152(1) provides that:

...before taking action to recover arrears from an affected customer, a retailer must take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time on the affected customer.

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act* 2000 and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 3 March 2023, Origin Energy failed to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action at the time it was conducted on an affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 152(1) of the ERCOP by failing to take into account the potential impact of debt recovery action on the affected customer at the time it was conducted. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$36,984 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$184.92 (Victorian Government Gazette, G16 dated 21 April 2022).



Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic), section 54S

To: Origin Energy Electricity Limited Tower 1, Level 32 100 Barangaroo Avenue Barangaroo NSW 2000

Penalty Notice number: PN(E) 110-2024

- 1. This notice is dated 4 December 2024.
- The Essential Services Commission (the commission) alleges that the regulated entity, Origin Energy Electricity Limited (ACN 071 052 287) (Origin Energy), has contravened a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Essential Services Commission Act 2001 (Vic) (the Act).
- On 28 November 2024, the commission formed a reason to believe in accordance with section 54S(1) of the Act, that Origin Energy is a regulated entity that has contravened a civil penalty requirement.
- 4. The nature, and a brief description of the alleged contravention, are detailed in Schedule 1 to this penalty notice.
- 5. The amount of the penalty is \$38,462 as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

- 6. The \$38,462 penalty is payable by 22 January 2025.
- 7. Origin Energy may pay the penalty by electronic funds transfer to the following account:



- 9. Origin Energy can choose whether or not to pay this penalty notice.
- 10. If Origin Energy pays the amount of the penalty before the end of the time specified in this penalty notice, the commission will not commence, as appropriate, either a proceeding against Origin Energy for a contravention order in relation to the alleged contravention or a criminal proceeding for an offence constituted by conduct that is substantially the same as the conduct that constitutes the alleged contravention. If Origin Energy does not pay the penalty within this time, the commission may take such action.
- 11. Origin Energy is entitled to disregard this penalty notice and to defend any proceedings relating to the alleged contravention.

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Details of the conduct and alleged contravention

- 1. Section 150(1) of the Energy Retail Code of Practice (**ERCOP**) (version 3) was at all relevant times a civil penalty requirement.
- 2. Section 150(1) provides that:

- 3. In accordance with section 54S(1) of the *Essential Services Commission Act 2001* (Vic) (**ESC Act**), the commission has reason to believe that:
 - (a) Origin Energy Electricity Limited (**Origin Energy**) holds (and held at all material times) an electricity retail licence issued by the commission pursuant to the *Electricity Industry Act 2000* and is a regulated entity operating in a regulated industry.
 - (b) On 7 January 2024, Origin Energy disclosed or provided access to confidential information about an affected customer to another person without the consent of the affected customer.
 - (c) That customer, identified below, was an '*affected customer*' as defined under clause 3 of Part 1 of the ERCOP:



- 4. As a result, the commission alleges that Origin Energy contravened clause 150(1) of the ERCOP by disclosing or providing access to confidential information about the affected customer to another person without consent. Origin Energy's conduct therefore constitutes a contravention of a civil penalty requirement within the meaning of that term under section 3 of the Act.
- 5. The amount of the penalty for this civil penalty requirement during this period was \$38,462 (200 penalty units),¹ as provided by section 54T(2) of the Act.

¹ As at the date of the alleged contravention the value of a penalty unit was \$192.31 (Victorian Government Gazette, S256 dated 23 May 2023).