

## **ASX Release**

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## Media speculation regarding an Origin Energy/AGL merger

We refer to the report which appeared in The Australian Financial Review this morning to the effect that this Company is engaged in merger negotiations with AGL.

Although the Company has received an unsolicited approach from AGL for a potential merger, the Company is not presently engaged in any discussions with AGL. The approach relates to a proposal which is indicative and preliminary only. The Company does not propose to take any further steps in relation to this until it has completed an evaluation.

The Company will advise the market if a decision should be taken to proceed.

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