

STATEMENT

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Statement on the passing of Terry Effeny

One of the Australian energy industry's greatest contributors, Terry Effeny, passed away on the weekend.

Energy Networks Australia Chair, Nino Ficca, said he was saddened to hear the news and conveyed the industry's condolences to the Effeny family.

"Terry Effeny for many years worked in senior roles in energy network businesses in Queensland and he was a major driver of the transformation of the energy sector in Australia," Mr Ficca said.

"Terry contributed a lifetime to our industry, bringing engineering, economics and extensive operational management experience to the sector.

"Terry leaves an important legacy for our industry and a strong mark on future leaders as one who led with a human touch, always making time to engage with those starting in the industry as well as his colleagues across the country.

"I often spoke with Terry personally, seeking his advice and counsel on a variety of issues."

Through Terry's decade-long role as Chief Executive Officer of Energex, he joined the Energy Networks Australia Board in 2007 and served as a Director until 2016.

During his time on the Board, Terry served as Chair and Deputy Chair, and Chair of a number of Board Committees.

"Terry had a vision of a smarter and more customer focused energy system, and he was a passionate advocate for the recent Electricity Networks Transformation Roadmap.

"His ambition is evident in everything Energy Networks Australia does today," Mr Ficca said.

In recognition of Terry's outstanding contribution to the energy industry, he was awarded life membership of Energy Networks Australia when he retired from the Board.

In 2016, Terry was appointed to the Expert Panel led by Dr Alan Finkel that delivered the landmark 'Independent Review into the Future Security of the National Electricity Market'.

He also served as Chair of the Queensland Energy Security Taskforce.

"Our thoughts and best wishes are with Terry's family and loved ones at this time of great loss," Mr Ficca said.

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