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Ms Clare Savage
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Dear Ms Savage

Clare

Northern Territory Government letter of support: Power and Water's submission for exemption under Rule 34 of the National Gas Rules

Further to Power and Water Corporation's submission of 23 February 2024 for an exemption from ring fencing obligations for the McArthur River pipeline under Rule 34 of the National Gas Rules, I attach a letter of support from the Northern Territory Government.

Should you have any queries related to Power and Water's submission, please contact [REDACTED] Executive General Manager, Gas Services via email at [REDACTED] or mobile on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



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Dear Ms ~~Savage~~ *Clare*

I am writing in support of the Power and Water Corporation's (PWC) application under Rule 34 of the National Gas Rules for an exemption from the ring fencing obligations for the McArthur River Pipeline.

As a government owned corporation, the Northern Territory Government requires PWC to support the Territory's economic objectives by making affordable natural gas available for electricity generation and industry. It is the Northern Territory Government's assessment that the public benefit is presently best served by PWC retaining joint control of the McArthur River Pipeline and its related gas businesses.

The Northern Territory Government cannot foresee a public benefit from ring fencing the McArthur River Pipeline, given that PWC presently has no capacity rights to the pipeline; and ring fencing either the McArthur River Pipeline or all of PWC's pipelines, would expose PWC and by extension NT taxpayers to material additional administrative costs.

Should you have any queries related to this matter, please contact [REDACTED] Executive Director, Office of Sustainable Energy in the Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade on [REDACTED] or by email: [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

KATE WORDEN

28/03/24.