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Dear Ms Eddy

Notice under clause 6.6.1(k1) of the National Electricity Rules

The purpose of this letter is to provide notice, pursuant to clause 6.6.1(k1) of the National Electricity Rules (NER), that the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) has extended the time limit for its determination on AusNet Services' (AusNet's) cost pass through (CPT) application, in relation to the impact of the 13 February 2024 storm event on AusNet's Victorian distribution network.

Clause 6.6.1(k1) of the NER provides that the AER may extend the time limit to make a determination on a CPT application if it is satisfied that making the determination involves issues of such complexity or difficulty that the time limit should be extended.

In accordance with clause 6.6.1(k1), we are extending the time limit the AER has to assess AusNet's CPT application by 60 business days due to the complexity of assessing the efficiency of AusNet's decisions and actions in relation to the risk of the event, and the incremental costs incurred. The AER now has 100 business days, commencing from 20 June 2024, to make a determination on AusNet's application.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Mr David Monk at [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely

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