## Statutory declaration

Regulation 9(1)

I, David Smales, Managing Director of AusNet Gas Services Pty Ltd (ABN 086 015 036), of Level 31, 2 Southbank Boulevard, Southbank, Victoria 3006, make the following statutory declaration under the *Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018* (Vic):

- 1. I am an officer, for the purposes of the National Gas (Victoria) Law (NGL), of AusNet Gas Services Pty Ltd (ABN 086 015 036) (AusNet). I am authorised by AusNet to make this statutory declaration as part of the AusNet's response to the Regulatory Information Notice dated 1 July 2022 (Notice) served on AusNet by the Australian Energy Regulator (AER). This statutory declaration only applies to the revisions made to AusNet's response to the Notice, with such revisions forming part of AusNet's application to vary its access arrangement under rule 65(1) of the National Gas Rules.
- I say that the actual information (as defined in the Notice) provided in AusNet's revisions to its response to the Notice is, to the best of my information, knowledge and belief:
  - (a) in accordance with the requirements of the Notice; and
  - (b) true and accurate.
- 3. Where it is not possible to provide actual information to comply with the Notice, AusNet has, to the best of my information, knowledge and belief:
  - (a) provided AusNet's best estimate of the information in accordance with the requirements of the Notice; and
  - (b) provided the basis for each estimate, including assumptions made and reasons why the estimate is the best estimate.
- 4. Where AusNet has provided forecast information in its revisions to its response to the Notice, AusNet has, to the best of my information, knowledge and belief provided forecast information which is AusNet's best forecast of the information in accordance with the requirements of the Notice.

I solemnly and sincerely declare that the contents of this statutory declaration are true and correct and I make it knowing that making a statutory declaration that I know to be untrue is an offence.

Declared at Melbourne, Victoria

this 26 th day of September 2024

Signature of Declarant

A person authorised under section 30(2) of the Oaths and Affirmations Act 2018 to witness the signing of a statutory declaration,

Signature of authorised witness EVAN ROGER HOLLAND

Level 31, 2 Southbank Blvd, Southbank VIC 3006

An Australian Legal Practitioner within the meaning
of the Legal Profession Uniform Law (Victoria)

Full name of witness

Level 31, 2 Southbank Boulevard Southbank Victoria 3006

An Australian Legal Practitioner within the meaning of the Legal Profession Act 2004