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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

### Re: Expiring exemptions under Part 23 of the National Gas Rules

I am writing in relation to your applications of 5 October for exemptions under Part 23 of the National Gas Rules (NGR) for 8 pipelines. We note that these pipelines currently hold exemptions from Part 23, which are expiring between 12 December 2022 and 28 February 2023.

The AER has assessed the applications together with the information provided and has determined to grant the following exemptions:

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| • Bonaparte Gas Pipeline and Wadeye Lateral  | Category 2 | 3 January 2028   |
| • Brooklyn to Altona (Qenos) Pipeline        | Category 2 | 12 December 2027 |
| • Darwin Distribution System                 | Category 2 | 12 December 2027 |
| • Elliot Lateral (NT)                        | Category 2 | 12 December 2027 |
| • Maturanka Lateral                          | Category 2 | 12 December 2027 |
| • Mt Todd Lateral                            | Category 2 | 12 December 2027 |
| • Reedy Creek Wallumbilla Pipeline           | Category 2 | 28 February 2028 |
| • Wickham Point Pipeline and Weddell Lateral | Category 2 | 3 January 2028   |

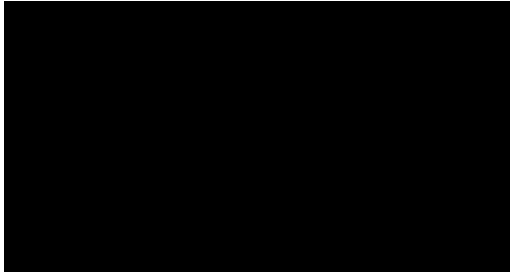
The exemptions are valid for 5 years, and expire on dates shown above.

I also highlight that, with the exception of the Darwin Distribution System, these facilities previously received a NGR Part 24 (capacity trading) exemption from the AER. The AER's notification stated that the Part 24 exemption(s) would expire on the same date as the Part 23 exemption expiry unless the Part 23 exemption was extended by the AER. This letter also provides notice that the Part 24 exemption(s) have been extended to coincide with the new Part 23 exemption expiry dates.

As set out in Rule 585(8) please notify the AER without delay if circumstances change such that a pipeline no longer qualifies for the exemption granted.

Rule 585(7) requires the AER to establish, publish and maintain a register of exemptions. The register will be updated to reflect these exemption renewals. Please do not hesitate to contact [AERnonschemeexemptions@aer.gov.au](mailto:AERnonschemeexemptions@aer.gov.au) if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours sincerely



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