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Mr Warwick King
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Dear Mr King

Re: Part 23 exemption - APLNG Mainline Laterals (PPL 163)

I refer to your application dated 9 January 2018 for an exemption under Part 23 of the National Gas Rules (NGR) for the APLNG Mainline Laterals.

The AER has assessed the application and supporting information and has determined to grant exemptions under Category 1 and Category 2. We considered your request for an extended exemption period to match the no-coverage determination period for PPL 162. However the granted exemptions are to expire five years from the date of this letter, consistent with AER policy and our previous decisions.

As required by NGR rule 585(8), please notify the AER if circumstances change such that the pipeline no longer qualifies for the exemption.

Rule 585 requires the AER to maintain a public register of Part 23 exemptions. Fields marked with a (*) in your application of 9 January 2018 will be published on the register along with this response.

Please contact me (sebastian.roberts@ aer.gov.au, 03 9290 1895) if we can assist further.

Yours sincerely



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