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Dear Mr Stay

Dawson Valley Pipeline access arrangement – extension of lodgement date

I refer to your letter of 14 July 2006 seeking an extension of time from 8 August 2006 to 6 November 2006 for the lodgement of the Dawson Valley Pipeline access arrangement.

The ACCC has, pursuant to section 7.19 of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems* (the Code), decided to grant this request. In making this decision, the ACCC has concluded that third party access to the Dawson Valley Pipeline is unlikely to be materially effected at this time as a result of the extension to the access arrangement lodgement date.

The ACCC has granted this request for an extension of time in the expectation that pre-lodgement consultation with ACCC staff will continue. This is to include the provision of a draft access arrangement and accompanying documentation prior to the formal lodgement of the proposed access arrangement by 6 November 2006. In addition, the ACCC anticipates that a further request for an extension of time will be unlikely.

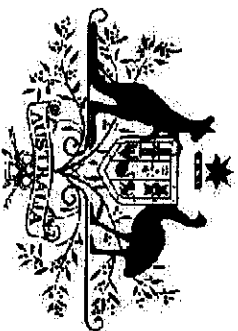
For any further information on this matter, please contact Meredith Hooper on 02 9230 9173.

Yours sincerely

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STATEMENT OF REASONS

Anglo Coal (Dawson) Limited & Anglo Coal (Dawson Management) Pty Ltd: extension of time to lodge access arrangement

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has considered Anglo Coal (Dawson) Limited and Anglo Coal (Dawson Management) Pty Ltd's request for an extension of time to lodge the Dawson Valley Pipeline access arrangement and is satisfied that the request is reasonable under the circumstances.

The ACCC has granted this request for an extension of time in the expectation that pre-lodgement consultation with the ACCC will continue, that a proposed access arrangement will be submitted by 6 November 2006 and that a further request for an extension of time is unlikely.

The lodgement date of 8 August 2006 is extended to 6 November 2006.

Background

On 14 July 2006, Anglo Coal (Dawson) Limited and Anglo Coal (Dawson Management) Pty Ltd, lodged a request, pursuant to section 7.19 of the *National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems*, for a time extension to the lodgement date for the Dawson Valley Pipeline access arrangement. It was requested that the lodgement date be extended from 8 August 2006 to 6 November 2006.