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Mr Scott Young Regulatory Manager APA Group PO Box R41 ROYAL EXCHANGE NSW 1225

Dear Mr Young

Re: Central Ranges Pipeline and Network Access Arrangements

Thank you for your letter of 22 January 2018, outlining APA's understanding of the regulatory status of the CRP and CRP Network from 1 July 2019.

As your letter sets out, the operation of the transitional provision in clause 3(15) of Schedule 1 to the National Gas Rules appears to bring the current access arrangements for the Central Ranges Pipeline (CRP) and Network (CRP Network) within the scope of the competitive tender pipeline (CTP) access arrangement provisions of the National Gas Rules, including by setting an expiry date for the current access arrangements for the purposes of section 126(2)(a) of the National Gas Law.

Accordingly, we understand the combined effect of these provisions to be that both the CRP and CRP Network access arrangements will expire on 1 July 2019, and that from that time the CRP and CRP Network will cease to be covered pipelines for the purposes of the National Gas Law and Rules.

On that basis we share your view that access arrangement revision proposals will not be required for the CRP or CRP Network on 30 June 2018 as specified in the current access arrangements.

Yours sincerely

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Network Finance and Reporting

Sent by email on: 06.02.2018

