3 August 2018

Mr Sebastian Roberts General Manager, Networks Australian Energy Regulator GPO Box 520 Melbourne VIC 3001 Email: <u>NSW2019-24@aer.gov.au</u>

Dear Mr Roberts,

RE: NEW "SOUTHPIPE" ZONE SUBSTATION FOR 2-18 ALDINGTON ROAD, OAKDALE WEST INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, KEMPS CREEK, NSW 2178 ("OAKDALE WEST")

Goodman

Goodman has a State Significant Development Application (SSDA 7348) for Oakdale West Industrial Precinct currently being assessed by The Department of Planning & Environment ("DP&E"). There is currently high demand in Western Sydney for greenfield industrial sites. We have successfully developed most of the adjacent Oakdale South precinct which Endeavour Energy has been able to supply from an existing zone substation. Endeavour has advised that existing network capacity is approaching limits. It is disappointing that Goodman was forced to turn away a major customer (high energy user) this year at Oakdale South as Endeavour Energy could not accommodate this connection.

Endeavour Energy has included in its Regulatory Proposal a project to establish a new zone substation by 2022 for Oakdale West, referred to by Endeavour as "Southpipe Zone Substation".

In a letter to Endeavour Energy dated 1 May 2018, we provided an updated forecast development timeline for the estate and formally requested sufficient electrical power capacity to service this new estate. Based on our assessment the new Zone Substation is required 2 years earlier than the current Endeavour proposal.

We understand that Endeavour Energy (EE) cannot make a commitment to provide this power without greater certainty of regulatory outcomes. We seek support from the AER for this project (\$27.3M) to enable Endeavour Energy to provide essential power infrastructure for the Oakdale West Industrial Precinct in a timely manner.

We confirm that land negotiations are well underway in relation to the Contract of Sale for the land with Endeavour Energy to secure the site in Oakdale West.

Should you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call me on 0411 511 431.

Regards,

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