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Mr Mike Buckley General Manager Network Regulation North Branch Australian Energy Regulator **GPO Box 3131 CANBERRA ACT 2601**

Dear Mr Buckley

Re: Support for Campbelltown City Council Submission **Integral Energy – Notice of Proposed Price Increases**

Liverpool City Council is supportive of the submission sent by Campbelltown City Council to you on 8 August 2008 regarding the proposal from Integral Energy for a schedule of price increases over and above the Consumer Price Index, commencing in 2009.

Liverpool City Council does this as a neighbouring Council sharing very similar pressures and in agreement with the substantive points made in the Campbelltown submission. The proposed Integral Energy increases have the potential to impact significantly on local government resources at a time when other cost pressures are bearing down and major inquiries have recently highlighted that NSW councils face serious financial sustainability issues.

Yours sincerely

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