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22 August 2025

General Counsel & Company Secretary Gas Pipelines Victoria Pty Ltd 5 Kiln Court, St Leonards TAS 7250

Dear

## Re: Part 24 National Gas Rules exemption for GPV Pipeline

I refer to your application, received 23 December 2024, seeking revocation of the existing Part 24 Category 2 (single user facility) exemption for the Carisbrook to Horsham Pipeline ('GPV Pipeline') and seeking a new Part 24 Category 3 (nameplate rating) exemption for the pipeline under the National Gas Rules (**NGR**). The application, as well as information received following request for clarification, has been considered by the AER Board.

I am writing to advise that the AER Board has agreed to revoke the existing Part 24 Category 2 (single user facility) exemption for the GPV Pipeline and grant the pipeline a new Part 24 Category 3 (nameplate rating) exemption, with a condition requiring 36-month uncontracted capacity outlooks to be reported to the Australian Energy Market Operator for the GPV Pipeline.

This condition is the same as the condition attached to the prior Part 24 Category 2 (single user facility) exemption (now revoked). For the avoidance of doubt, we note that it aligns with your statement to accept any condition imposed by the AER in your letter of response to the AER of 12 March 2025.

The condition is imposed under Part 24 subrule 612(3) of the NGR. Specifically, the condition requires that:

- (1) GPV provide to AEMO, for the GPV Pipeline, an outlook of uncontracted primary pipeline capacity on the pipeline for each of the next 36 months; and
- (2) GPV provide the information specified at (1) to AEMO by 7pm on the last day of each month, unless the previous reported outlook has not changed.

The new Part 24 Category 3 (nameplate rating) exemption takes effect on 22 August 2025 and applies for a period of five years to 22 August 2030.

As set out in subrule 611(10) of Part 24 of the NGR, please notify the AER without delay if circumstances change such that the GPV Pipeline no longer qualifies for this exemption.

Subrule 611(9) of Part 24 requires the AER to establish, publish and maintain a register of Part 24 exemptions. The new exemption for the GPV Pipeline will be published on the Part 24 exemptions register on the <u>AER's website</u>.

As required by subrule 611(8) of the NGR, AER staff will contact the Australian Energy Market Operator to inform it of this determination.

Please contact \_\_\_\_\_ if you have further questions regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely

General Manager Market Surveillance Australian Energy Regulator

Sent by email on: 22.08.2025