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Dr Seán Mc Goldrick
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Dear Seán,

Re: Powerlink's 2027–32 Revenue Proposal – Impending Draft Decision

I refer to your letter dated 4 September 2026, in which you raise areas of concern about the likely positions in the AER's draft decision on Powerlink's 2027–32 Revenue Proposal. The draft decision is expected to be published on 30 September 2026.

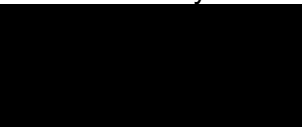
At our meeting on 19 August 2026, the AER indicated to Powerlink the key gaps in the analysis and information supporting its Revenue Proposal. As discussed at the time, this courtesy was intended to provide Powerlink additional time to prepare a revised revenue proposal to address those key gaps, given their scope and complexity. It was not an invitation for further submissions before the making of the draft decision.

The AER's draft decision will provide further detail on the AER's analysis and reasons in relation to the gaps we have identified. Following the process outlined in Chapter 6A of the NER, Powerlink will then have an opportunity to submit a revised proposal. This is the appropriate, structured and transparent mechanism for Powerlink to address the AER's concerns. At this time, the AER will consider Powerlink's additional information and analysis. The AER will also consider stakeholder submissions and other relevant material before reaching its final decision.

To promote transparency and procedural fairness for all stakeholders, we propose to publish Powerlink's letter of 4 September 2026 and this response alongside the draft decision.

Please contact Kami Kaur at [REDACTED] if you would like to discuss this further.

Yours sincerely



Clare Savage
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