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Dear Mr Stanley

Application for conversion of Directlink merchant interconnector

I refer to your letter of 15 December 2004 in which the Directlink Joint Venturers (DJV) requested an extension of time to provide its submission on the PB Associates report.

I am prepared to accept the DJV's submission on the above subject by 14 January 2005 close of business. I note the implication of this time extension is that the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) assessment of the DJV conversion application and anticipated release of the draft decision would subsequently be delayed.

If you have any queries please call Kenny Yap on (02) 6243 1224.

Yours sincerely

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