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Mr Alistair Parker Director, Regulation and Network Strategy SP AusNet Level 31, 2 Southbank Boulevard Southbank VIC 3066

Dear Mr Parker

## Annual compliance reports 2008/09

In February 2009, the AER received a request from SPAusNet seeking to exempt SPI Management Services (SPIMS) and Data and Measurement Solutions (DMS) from the annual compliance reporting requirements. In July 2009, SPAusNet provided further information to substantiate this claim.

The AER has assessed this request and has concluded that it is appropriate to exempt SPIMS and DMS from the annual compliance reporting requirements.

Annual compliance reports for 2008/09 for SPAusNet are still due to be submitted to the AER by 5 pm A.E.D.T. on 31 October 2009, in accordance with the AER's annual compliance order for gas pipeline service providers made under s. 48(1) of the National Gas Law (NGL). The annual compliance order can be found on the AER's website at <a href="https://www.aer.gov.au">www.aer.gov.au</a>.

This order applies to service providers of covered pipeline services provided by transmission and distribution pipelines. A service provider is defined under section 8 of the NGL as a person who owns, controls or operates or intends to own, control or operate a pipeline. SP AusNet is required to submit an annual compliance order to the AER.

Annual compliance reports can be forwarded by email to annual compliance@aer.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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