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Mr Sebastian Roberts General Manager Network Regulation Australian **Energy Regulator** GPO Box 520 **MELBOURNE VIC 3001**

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Dear Sir

SA Power Networks Revised Regulatory Proposal (2015-2020)

I would like to make a submission on the SA Power Networks Revised Regulatory Proposal 2015-2020.

The Berri Hotel is a community owned organisation which provides all manner of support to organisations and sporting clubs within the Berri District. That support had been in the order of \$150,000.00 per annum for a decade until the last few years when it was reduced to \$130,000.00 per annum.

One of the reasons for that reduction has been the decreased profitability of the Hotel.

This dates directly to 2012 when the energy expenses of the Hotel increased by the better part of \$100,000.00 or over 25%.

Energy is a large expense for hotels and the ongoing increases of a multiple of CPI have played a substantial part in the increasing failure of hotel venues.

I would strongly urge you to reject the revised proposal of SA Power Networks.

Yours faithfully **BERRI HOTEL INC**

Per:

TIM O'BRIEN Chairman

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