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Mr Sebastian Roberts General Manager, Regulatory Affairs – Electricity Australian Competition and Consumer Commission 470 Northbourne Avenue CANBERRA ACT 2600

Attention: Mr Sabesh Shivasabesan, Director - Electricity, Regulatory Affairs Division

Dear Mr Roberts

Re: Application for Conversion to a Prescribed Service and a Maximum Allowable Revenue to June 2015

The Commission published the PB Associates report *Review of Directlink Conversion Application – Final Report* of 26 November 2004 on its website and has requested submissions from interested parties by 16 December 2004.

As discussed with Commission staff on 10 December, the PB Associates Report raises a very large number of important issues for the Directlink Joint Venturers. Consequently, the Directlink Joint Venturers seek an extension of time until 14 January 2005 to provide their submission.

Yours sincerely

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