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Mr Stuart Dodds Operations Manager Power Transmission APA Group PO Box 6569 **UPPER MOUNT GRAVATT QLD 4122** 

Dear Mr Dodds

## Transmission service standards compliance review for 2008

I am writing to inform you of the outcome of the Australian Energy Regulator's (AER) review of Directlink's performance against the service standards incentive scheme for the 2008 calendar year.

In conducting the review, AER staff considered Directlink's revenue cap decision (3 March 2006), Directlink's service standards report (2 February 2009) and the AER's Service standards guidelines (November 2003).

After conducting a review of Directlink's performance report for 2008, I endorse Directlink using a service standards factor of -1 per cent for the 2008 calendar year resulting in a financial incentive adjustment of -\$122,462 to apply to its maximum allowed revenue for the 2009-10 financial year.

I would like to thank you for your open and active participation and prompt provision of information throughout this year's review process. Should you have any further enquiries please contact Simon Bell on (02) 6243 1232.

Yours sincerely

Mike Buckley General Manager

Network Regulation North Branch