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Dear Sebastian

Review of Regulatory Test

The Energy Users Coalition of Victoria (EUCV) is a major energy end-user group formed with the specific purpose of addressing the current applications for access arrangements by gas and electricity service providers in Victoria. Its members are Ford, Holden, OneSteel, Air International, Toyota and Unidrive.

The ECCSA sees that the controlled and sensible augmentation of the electricity transmission network is a part of the mechanisms consumers have in the battle to reduce generator market power. Equally the ECCSA sees that there is a need to ensure that networks are not permitted to augment networks unless it can be shown that the augmentation delivers a benefit to those ultimately funding the augmentation – the electricity consumers.

Attached is the ECCSA response to the ACCC request for comment on the operation of the Regulatory Test for network augmentations. We appreciate the granting of additional time to complete our submission.

Should you wish to discuss our submission and the views espoused, please contact the undersigned or our consultant David Headberry on (03) 9859 9138

Yours sincerely

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