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Attention: L Griffin

By email & post

Dear Sir

**PROPOSED REVISIONS OF SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND PIPELINE (“SWQP”) ACCESS ARRANGEMENT**

As discussed at a meeting with staff of the ACCC on 16 September 2004, Epic Energy understands from discussions with various stakeholders that their primary concern with Epic Energy’s proposal to make the AFT services non-reference services in the access arrangement for the SWQP is that Epic Energy could require the level of tariffs for these services (in particular the back haul services) to exceed the levels currently set out in the access arrangement.

As outlined in submission #3, Epic Energy is willing to continue to provide (to existing and prospective customers) services on the current terms being granted to existing customers if that is what the market requires.

To further overcome the stakeholders’ concern above, if it is required by the ACCC as part of this review process to make further revisions to the access arrangement, Epic Energy proposes to include the following new clause 6.1(d):

*“(d) In making available any of the Services referred to in paragraph 6.1(a)(ii), Epic Energy will not require tariffs for the following Services higher than those approved by the Queensland Minister pursuant to section 58 of the Gas Pipelines Access (Queensland) Act 1998 (subject only to escalation as if each Service were a Reference Service):*

- *Class BH1 Service*
- *Class BZ1 Service*
- *Class FZ1 Service*
- *Class IT1 Service*
- *Class IZ1 Service”*

If you have any questions in connection with the above, please contact me on 08 9492 3803.

Yours sincerely

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