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By email: [REDACTED]

Dear Ms Vogt

Extension of time for Powercor – increase to minimum wood pole interventions cost pass through application

I am writing to you in relation to Powercor’s cost pass through application received by the Australian Energy Regulator (AER) on 1 March 2022.

On 11 April 2022, Powercor provided a response to the AER’s request for further supporting information and documents. In accordance with rule 6.6.1(e) of the National Electricity Rules (NER), the assessment period for the cost pass through application commenced on this date.

Rule 6.6.1(k1) of the NER allows the AER to extend the time limit for making its determination if the AER is satisfied it involves issues of such complexity or difficulty that the usual time limit of 40 business days is insufficient, provided that the AER gives written notice of that extension not later than 10 business days before the expiry of that time limit.

Given the complexity of assessing Powercor’s cost pass through application, the AER has decided to extend the time for making a determination by a period of 60 business days in accordance with rule 6.6.1(k1) of the NER.

The AER will now make its decision on Powercor’s cost pass through application on or before 2 September 2022.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr Cain Fleckhammer on [REDACTED] or by email on [cain.fleckhammer@aer.gov.au](mailto:cain.fleckhammer@ aer.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



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