Ref. 2/900/2

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Dear Paul,

## Mid-term Revenue Adjustment for Capex Variations

I confirm discussion, between Louis Tirpcou and Terry Miller in which it was concluded that there are still a range of outstanding issues which need to be resolved before a formularised mid-term revenue adjustment to account for capex variations can be implemented. These unresolved issues include:

- a robust formula;
- testing of the formula;
- dealing with capex efficiency incentives;
- ensuring the adjustment is limited to capex variations only.

Because the above issues are unlikely to be resolved prior to the issue of your draft decision, Powerlink is of the view that, at this point in time, the mid-term adjustment should be dispensed with.

As an interim measure, we are prepared to withdraw our request for the capex mid-term adjustment as requested in Clause 10.6.2 of our Application.

Please do not hesitate to contract me should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours sincerely,

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