RIVERLAND ENERGY ASSOCIATION (REA)

20th July 2015

Mr Sebastian Roberts
General Manager, Network Regulation
Australian Energy Regulator
GPO Box 520
Melbourne 3001

Sent by email to SAelectricity2015@aer.gov.au

REA Submission to SA Power Networks Regulatory Proposal (2015 – 2020)

Dear Sebastian,

The Riverland Energy Association represents a number of large energy users in the Riverland region. We would like to again express full support for the AER's preliminary determination of SA Power Networks Regulatory Proposal 2015-2020 and would like the determination to become final.

We believe the determination is fair and reasonable for both SA Power networks and energy consumers. There is no justification for the proposed increases put forward by SA Power Networks in its Revised Regulatory Proposal 2015-2020.

The unrealistic Capital and Operating expenditure put forward by SA Power Networks in its proposals demonstrates a lack of true understanding of its customer's views and expectations. It in fact demonstrates that SA Power Networks own consultation process is flawed and did not present balanced information or data.

Price increases of 23% in 2016/2017 and 12% in 2017/2018 as proposed by SA Power Networks are unacceptable and would be rejected by the vast majority of its customers.

Kind Regards

Trevor Davidson Chairman of the REA