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The Director Development Assessment Systems & Approvals Planning & Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001



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Dear Sir

re: WELLINGTON NSW GAS FIRED POWER STATION APPLICATION NO. MP 06\_0315\_Mod 2 Location: Approximately 2km North of Wellington approximately 50km south of Dubbo in the Central West Region of NSW Proponent: ERM Power Pty Ltd Council Area: Wellington Approval Authority: Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I wish to lodge my support and approval for ERM Power's proposed modification of the project approval.

I believe that the Power Station will be a benefit to the Wellington community and the surrounding areas. ERM Power has given every indication to the community that it will be a good corporate citizen and a benefit to the Wellington area. Wellington needs this investment in our economy and I urge ERM Power to do everything it can to get this project up and running. A reduction in the noise impact as noted is of benefit. The power station will be good for Wellington and district due to the lack of development in the area and it should increase jobs and job prospects for Wellington area residents. There have been no changes in the spirit of the application and I see no issue in letting ERM keep the approval they already have pending the modification request decision.

ERM Power has a good reputation in town and I would not like to see any road blocks to an eventual station being brought to reality. The reason, as I understand for the delay, has been the demand for electricity however all signs are positive in a market upturn.

I am well aware of the power station as are most in the Wellington community. I believe that they have a lot of support in the community and I would hope that it could be started soon in order to improve the financial benefits for the area.

I can be contacted on (02) 68452055 if you wish to speak to me about my submission.

Yours faithfully <u>GRAHAM & WARD</u> Jennifer Conn AMABUAM Department of Planning Raceived 5 MAR 2014 Scanning Room

