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Mr David Kitto Director, Mining & Industry Projects Major Development Assessment Department of Planning & Infrastructure GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Attention: Clay Preshaw

Dear Mr Kitto

Modification to Apex Illawarra Gas Project (10_0054 MOD 1)

I refer to your email dated 29 August 2012 requesting comment on the proposed modification to the Apex Illawarra Gas Project.

The Department of Trade and Investment, Regional Infrastructure and Services (DTIRIS) Division of Resources & Energy (DRE) has reviewed the Environmental Assessment for the modification to extend the expiry date of the Approval to drill 16 exploration boreholes.

DRE have no further comments on the proposed modification.

Should you have any enquires regarding this matter please contact Steve Cozens, Senior Project Officer on (02) 8281 7335.

Yours sincerely

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