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By email Grant.Macauley@apa.com.au
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Dear Mr Macauley

Re: Part 23 Exemption Application for Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap Service Line

I refer to the application dated 3 October 2018 for an exemption under Part 23 of the National Gas Rules (NGR) for the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap Service Line.

The AER has assessed the application and supporting information and has determined:

To grant the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap Service Line Category 1 and Category 2 exemptions.

The exemption is valid for five years, and expires on 28 October 2023.

APA Group and AGIG are exempt from the operation of Division 3 and Division 4, the obligation to publish information under Division 2 of Part 23 with respect to the Joint Defence Facility Pine Gap Service Line.

As set out in Rule 585(8) please notify the AER without delay if circumstances change such that the pipeline no longer qualifies for the exemption.

Rule 585 requires the AER to establish, publish and maintain a register of exemptions. The application dated 3 October 2018 will be published in the register.

Please do not hesitate to contact me (sebastian.roberts@er.gov.au, 03 9290 1895) if we can be of any further assistance.

Yours sincerely



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Sent by email on: 29.10.2018