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Dear Mr Eastcott

ERCO137 – Cost pass through arrangements for network service providers Rule 2012

This submission is made in response to the Commission's Draft Rule Determination and Draft Rule, which was published on 10 May 2012.

Nominated pass through events

Powerlink notes that the Commission's Draft Rule includes transitional arrangements which would allow Powerlink to nominate additional pass through events (ie. nominated pass through events) for consideration by the AER within 90 days of commencement of the Rule. In assessing such a proposal, the AER would be required to take into account the nominated pass through event considerations established in the new Rules and, if accepted, revoke and substitute Powerlink's transmission determination for the 2013-17 regulatory period to this effect.

The Commission considers that such an approach would promote regulatory certainty and fairness between network businesses. Powerlink concurs with the Commission's views and approach in relation to this matter.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please contact Jennifer Harris on (07) 3860-2667 or jharris@powerlink.com.au.

Yours sincerely

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