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Dear Dr Tamblyn

National Transmission Planning Arrangements - Issues Paper

Stanwell Corporation Limited (Stanwell) welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Issues Paper released in November by the Australian Energy Market Commission (AEMC). Stanwell is supportive of the review process being undertaken by the AEMC. In responding to the Issues Paper, Stanwell does not intend to respond to each of the issues addressed. Rather the primary purpose is to comment on the coverage of the Regulatory Test. Specifically, the AEMC is calling for comments with regards to whether the scope of situations subject to the Regulatory Investment Test (RIT) should include network reconfigurations.

On this issue, Stanwell welcomes the AEMC's initial finding that this review presents an opportunity to review the issue of whether network reconfigurations should be subject to the project assessment and consultation process. Further to Stanwell's comments to the Scoping Paper, we note that a number of other points were raised by other stakeholders regarding the importance of addressing this issue in the context of the aging profile of TNSP assets.

Yours faithfully



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