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Sent by email to

Dear Mr Keenan

## Exemption Application – Cockburn Cement Lateral (PL39)

Your application for an exemption under Part 23 of the *National Gas Rules*, as applied in Western Australia, for the Cockburn Cement Lateral (PL39) has been assessed by the Economic Regulation Authority (ERA).

The ERA has decided to grant a Category 2 (exemption from the obligation to publish information under Division 2) and Category 3 (exemption from the obligation to publish information under Division 2 other than pipeline information and pipeline service information) exemption for the Cockburn Cement, lateral pipeline. The exemptions are valid from 25 September 2019 for five years and expires on 25 September 2024.

The ERA noted your request to backdate this exemption to 21 June 2018 in your email on 31 July 2019 to avoid non-compliance with the information disclosure requirements under Part 23 of the *National Gas Rules*. The ERA does not consider it appropriate to backdate the exemptions for the purpose of avoiding Origin Energy Pipelines' obligations under the *National Gas Rules*.

This exemption may be varied or revoked at any time, in accordance with provisions in the *National Gas Rules* as applied in Western Australia.

As required under Rule 585(8) of the *National Gas Rules (WA)*, please notify the ERA without delay if circumstances change such that the pipeline no longer qualifies for the exemption granted.

As the service provider of the Cockburn Cement Lateral, Origin Energy Pipelines must still comply with all other provisions in the *National Gas Rules (WA)* not covered by this exemption.

The ERA must establish, publish and maintain a register of exemptions. Your application will be published on the ERA's <u>website</u>.

Please contact Tyson Self on 08 6557 7900, if you have any questions on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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