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Attention: Mr R Pullelle

RE: Draft Decision on Dampier to Bunbury Natural Gas Pipeline
(DPNGP) Access Arrangement

We refer to our previous letter of 3 September 2001 regarding the above topic and now understand you are reviewing all information including additional industry responses, in the lead up to a final decision.

As contractors who are currently actively involved in tendering and constructing gas and pipeline infrastructure in Australia and South East Asia we believe it is imperative that pipeline owners and clients such as Epic are able to operate in an environment that recognizes that their business interests and investments are treated both fairly, reasonably and with a degree of certainty. We therefore believe that the maintenance of tariffs by Epic should be in accordance with the access arrangement of the DBNGP Access Sale Agreement and that this decision will be in the best interest of existing and future users of capacity of the pipeline. This decision we believe will maintain confidence in and viability of the gas and pipeline industry in Australia.

We look forward to a decision that will be positive for the future of this industry in Australia.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roger Trundle", written over a horizontal line.

Roger Trundle