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NOTICE CALL FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS

EXTENSION OF TIME TO SUBMIT AN ACCESS ARRANGEMENT: KALGOORLIE TO KAMBALDA GAS PIPELINE

This is to advise that on 11 October 2000, Southern Cross Pipelines Pty Ltd (Southern Cross Pipelines), as owner/operator of the Kalgoorlie to Kambalda Gas Pipeline (Licence Number WA: PL27), made application for an extension of time to submit an Access Arrangement for this pipeline. A copy of the application has been placed on the Office of Gas Access Regulation website (<u>http://www.offgar.wa.gov.au</u>).

On 25 November 1999, Southern Cross Pipelines applied for an initial 12-month extension of time to submit an Access Arrangement for the pipeline. Following public consultation, which did not object to the extension, the extension of time was granted to 1 December 2000.

Southern Cross Pipelines in its current application contends that the submission of an Access Arrangement at this time will not provide any significant benefits to any party and that the cost associated with preparing and obtaining approval of an Access Arrangement are very significant relative to the normal expenses associated with the pipeline.

Following consideration of the application from Southern Cross Pipelines, I am considering granting an extension of time for a period of two years to 1 December 2002, at which time the situation would be reviewed. Any extension of time could, however, be subject to review at an earlier time if representations are made to me by a prospective user unable to negotiate in good faith with the pipeline service provider for access to the pipeline.

Prior to making a decision on whether or not to grant the extension of time sought by Southern Cross Pipelines, public submissions are invited from interested parties on any matter that may be relevant to my consideration of the application for the Kalgoorlie to Kambalda Pipeline.

Public submissions should be received by 4PM Western Standard Time on Friday 17 November 2000 and addressed to:

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