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Dear Robert,

WAIVER OF REGULATORY TEST: Medical Centre Substation

In accordance with the Electricity Networks Access Code 2004, I submit a request for a waiver of the Regulatory Test for a proposed major augmentation to the Western Power transmission network.

Western Power's only feasible solution to provide the required capacity to support both the load growth due to the expansion to the QEII Medical Centre and for the surrounding areas is the establishment of a new 66/11 kV Medical Centre substation (with some associated minor works) immediately adjacent to the existing 66/6.6 kV Medical Centre substation. The total capital cost of the project is approximately \$28.4M. The project is customer driven and a customer capital contribution has been determined in accordance with the Western Power Capital Contribution Policy approved under the 2006 Access Arrangement.

An electronic version and one printed copy of the submission documents explaining the project in more detail are enclosed.

I believe this submission demonstrates that in the case of the new Medical Centre substation the regulatory test should be waived in accordance with section 9.23 of the Code and Western Power looks forward to the Authority's confirmation of this.

Yours sincerely,

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