

## Gosain, Seema

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**From:** Greiss, Rami  
**Sent:** Thursday, 15 May 2014 6:24 PM  
**To:** Gosain, Seema  
**Subject:** FW: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy [DLM=Sensitive]

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Ridgeway, Stephen (AU) [mailto:Stephen.Ridgeway@au.kwm.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, 11 November 2013 10:12 AM  
**To:** Jones, David  
**Cc:** Greiss, Rami; Ayres, Lisa Anne; Lingard, Paul (AU); Cooke, Simon (AU); Buckley, Lisa  
**Subject:** RE: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy [DLM=Sensitive]

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Thanks David

We will get back to you to confirm a time as soon as we can.

Kind regards, Stephen

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Jones, David [mailto:David.Jones@accg.gov.au]  
**Sent:** Monday, 11 November 2013 8:58 AM  
**To:** Ridgeway, Stephen (AU)  
**Cc:** Greiss, Rami; Ayres, Lisa Anne; Lingard, Paul (AU); Cooke, Simon (AU); Buckley, Lisa  
**Subject:** RE: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy [DLM=Sensitive]

Dear Stephen

My apologies for the delayed response. Rod Sims, Jill Walker and ACCC staff are available to meet with you and your client at the following times and locations in that week:

- Tuesday 26 November from 1:30pm onwards (Canberra)

- Friday 29 November 09:30am until 11:00am (Sydney)

Can you please advise whether either of these times is suitable.

Kind regards

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ridgeway, Stephen (AU) [mailto:Stephen.Ridgeway@au.kwm.com]  
Sent: Wednesday, 6 November 2013 6:37 PM  
To: Jones, David  
Cc: Buik, Jessica; Greiss, Rami; Ayres, Lisa Anne; Lingard, Paul (AU); Cooke, Simon (AU)  
Subject: RE: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy  
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Dear David

Further to the letter from the Minister to the Chairman and the Chairman's email response, we would like to organise a meeting with representatives of the Commission for the purpose of explaining the regulatory measures that the Western Australian government proposes to take in connection with the legislative amalgamation of Verve and Synergy.

Further work and market consultation with regard to those measures is still underway but we expect to be in position to explain the proposed measures to the Commission by the week beginning Monday 25 November.

We expect that largely the same representatives would attend the meeting from our side as attended the meeting with the Commission on 23 July, and that it would take no more than two hours. We are happy to come to Sydney, Canberra or Melbourne for the meeting.

I would be grateful if you could advise whether the Commission would be in a position to meet with us in the week beginning 25 November or shortly thereafter.

Kind regards, Stephen

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jones, David [mailto:David.Jones@acc.gov.au]  
Sent: Tuesday, 15 October 2013 7:40 PM  
To: Ridgeway, Stephen (AU); Cooke, Simon (AU)  
Cc: Buik, Jessica; Greiss, Rami; Ayres, Lisa Anne

Subject: FW: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy  
[DLM=Sensitive]  
Importance: High

Dear Stephen and Simon

Please see below an email from Rod Sims to the Minister.

Kind regards

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-----Original Message-----

From: Sims, Rod

Sent: Tuesday, 15 October 2013 5:44 PM

To: 'Riordan, Robyn'

Cc: Greiss, Rami; [mike.nahan@mp.wa.gov.au](mailto:mike.nahan@mp.wa.gov.au); Helm, Simon; O'Callaghan, Luke; Greiss, Rami; Schaper, Michael

Subject: RE: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy  
[SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Dear Robyn

Can you please thank Dr Nahan for his letter which was much appreciated. Can you please pass on my apology for the lateness of our letter for which I take responsibility.

Can you also say I agree that, in the light of this letter, we will not put out any press release at this time.

We look forward to hearing about your foreshadowed measures to address the competition concerns when they are available.

I am keen to catch up with the Minister when next in Perth.

With kind regards

Rod

Rod Sims

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From: Riordan, Robyn [<mailto:Robyn.Riordan@dpc.wa.gov.au>]

Sent: Tuesday, 15 October 2013 1:44 PM

To: Sims, Rod

Cc: Greiss, Rami; [mike.nahan@mp.wa.gov.au](mailto:mike.nahan@mp.wa.gov.au); Helm, Simon; O'Callaghan, Luke

Subject: FW: Response - to Mr Sims E-mail from ACCC re proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy  
Importance: High

Dear Rod

Please find attached a response (your ref 51156) from Dr Mike Nahan MLA regarding the proposed merger of Verve Energy and Synergy.

Hard copy will follow.

Regards

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Executive Officer  
Dr Mike Nahan MLA  
Minister for Energy; Finance;  
Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

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