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Subject: AEMO Interim Authorisation dated 17 April 2020 - report for period 25 - 31 May 2020

We refer to condition 1 of the interim authorisation granted by the ACCC on 17 April 2020 (**Interim Authorisation**) and the reporting protocol dated 8 May 2020.

Set out below is AEMO's report for the period 25 - 31 May 2020 (**Reporting Period**).

This report can be published on the public register.

1. Material contracts, arrangements, understandings or decisions that rely on the Interim Authorisation

No material contract, arrangement or understanding that relies on the Interim Authorisation was entered into during the Reporting Period.

The meeting of AEMO representatives and industry executives convened by the AEMO CEO did not occur during the Reporting Period.

A decision that relies on the Interim Authorisation was made during the Reporting Period. A meeting between AEMO, CleanCo, CS Energy, Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy (Queensland), Intergen, Powerlink and Stanwell (together, **Meeting Participants**) was held on Friday 29 May. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss any potential issues that may arise in relation to maintenance or scheduled outages in Queensland, and the resources required, in light of COVID-19. The Meeting Participants shared information relating to the timing of proposed maintenance and the specialist skills required. The Meeting Participants also discussed the impact of planned maintenance being delayed or moved due to COVID related issues and the interactions they have had with Government bodies regarding the processes for carrying out work in light of COVID. The Meeting Participants agreed to share information about their experiences with various Government bodies and local councils in relation to movement of workers, testing of workers and managing worksites. The Meeting Participants also discussed how to ensure AEMO was kept informed (and if necessary other Meeting Participants were informed) in the event of further changes in the timing of planned maintenance and of unplanned outages. Another meeting with the Meeting Participants is expected to be held on Friday 5 June.

Finally, AEMO notes that the industry update on AEMO's operational response to COVID-19 which was formerly held weekly is now held fortnightly. Accordingly, there was no industry update on this topic during the Reporting Period.

2. Update to the Energy Coordination Mechanism

The Energy Coordination Mechanism did not meet during the Reporting Period.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any queries in relation to this report.

Kind regards

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