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Mr Matt Zema Chief Executive Officer Victorian Energy Networks Corporation Level 2 Yarra Tower World Trade Centre Siddeley Street MELBOURNE VIC 3055

Dear Mr Zema

Application for interim authorisation of the Market and System Operations Rules (MSOR)

I refer to VENCorp's application for authorisation of 17 May 2002 (nos. A90831, A90832 and A90833), and VENCorp's letter of 13 November 2002 seeking interim authorisation in relation to the MSOR.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the Commission) decided to grant interim authorisation to version 20 of the MSOR on 11 December 2002.

Interim authorisation will commence on 1 January 2003 and continue until either:

- 1. a grant of authorisation in relation to application nos. A90831, A90832 and A90833 comes into force; or
- 2. the expiration of the period for appeal to the Tribunal following release of the Commission's Final Determination on VENCorp's application; or
- 3. if review by the Tribunal of the Commission's Final Determination is sought, the date on which the Tribunal makes its determination; or
- 4. if review by the Tribunal is sought but the application for review is withdrawn, the date on which the application is withdrawn.

A copy of this letter will be placed on the public register kept by the Commission, and on the Commission's website.



If you wish to discuss any matter in relation to this determination, please call Megan Gallagher on (02) 6243 1146 or Simon Brinsmead on (02) 6243 1232.

Yours sincerely

Russell Phillips

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