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Mr Andrew Rankin Partner Deacons Lawyers GPO Box 407 Brisbane Australia 4001

Dear Mr Rankin,

Application for authorisation A50027 lodged by CS Energy Limited (CS Energy) and Callide Power Management Pty Ltd (CPM) – Draft Determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a draft determination in respect of the application for authorisation A50027 lodged by CS Energy and CPM on 18 August 2006.

A copy of the ACCC's draft determination is attached. For the reasons set out in its draft determination, the ACCC proposes to grant the authorisation for a period of five years.

## **Next steps**

Once the ACCC issues a draft determination, the applicant or any interested party who may be dissatisfied with the ACCC's draft determination may request that the ACCC convene a 'pre-decision conference'. A pre-decision conference provides the opportunity for interested parties to make oral submissions in relation to the draft determination.

Under the Trade Practices Act 1974, the ACCC must set a date within 14 days of which any pre-decision conference must be requested. Accordingly, if you wish the ACCC to hold a pre-decision conference in relation to the draft determination, you must notify the ACCC in writing by close of business 26 October 2006. Conferences are conducted informally, without the participation of legal or other professional advisers.

Alternatively, you are also invited to make a written submission in response to the ACCC's draft determination. Written submissions should be lodged by close of business 26 October 2006 at the following address:



The General Manager Adjudication Branch Australian Competition & Consumer Commission PO Box 1199 DICKSON ACT 2602

Submissions can also be lodged by e-mail to <a href="mailto:adjudication@accc.gov.au">adjudication@accc.gov.au</a> or by facsimile on (02) 6243 1211.

Any submission you make will be placed on the ACCC's public register. You may request that information you provide in a submission to the ACCC be excluded from the public register. Information excluded from the public register will still be considered by the ACCC when reaching its decision. Guidelines for claiming information be excluded from the public register are attached for your information.

The ACCC will consider any submissions it receives, including any oral submissions made should a pre-determination conference be called, and will then release a final determination in relation to this application.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Woodrow Inman on (02) 6243 1088.

Yours sincerely

Scott Gregson

General Manager

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