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Dear Sir/Madam

**Stanwell Corporation Limited & Diamantina Power Station Pty Ltd - applications for
authorisation A91448 & A91449 - final determination**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the applications for authorisation lodged by Stanwell Corporation Limited & Diamantina Power Station Pty Ltd (the Applicants).

The Applicants both operate electricity generators which supply electricity to the North West Power System (NWPS) for use by an energy retailer and large companies, predominately mining operations. The NWPS is an isolated electricity generation and transmission network based in Mt Isa and is not connected to the national grid.

The Applicants sought authorisation of the technical and operational arrangements related to the operation of the NWPS. Specifically, the parties sought authorisation to agree rules related to the coordination of dispatch of generators, and demand management and load shedding of certain electricity consumers within the NWPS.

A copy of the ACCC's determination and summary of its reasons is attached. For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation, subject to a condition, until 20 February 2020.

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal (the Tribunal) for a review of the determination. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 19 February 2015. If no application for a review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 20 February 2015.

An application for a review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Tribunal. The Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the Tribunal's process to hear applications for review of ACCC determinations please refer to the Tribunal's website at www.competitiontribunal.gov.au.

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 me on 03 9290 1475 or adjudication@accc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Jones', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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