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CONSUMER COMMISSION

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27 October 1998

Attention: Michael Rawstron Senior Assistant Commissioner Australian Competition & Consumer Commission PO Box 1199 **DICKSON ACT 2602** 

Dear Sir

UNDERTAKING GIVEN TO THE AUSTRALIAN COMPETITION AND RE: CONSUMER COMMISSION UNDER SECTION 44ZZA OF THE TRADE PRACTICES ACT 1974

This undertaking is given by NorthPower.

#### 1. Effective date

This undertaking has effect from the date on which it is accepted by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC). AUST. COMPETITION &

### **Expiry date** 2.

This undertaking expires on 31 December 2010.

#### 3. Interpretation

Words appearing in italics in this undertaking have the meaning given to them by Chapter 10 of the National Electricity Code.

#### Undertaking 4.

On registration by NEMMCO as a Network Service Provider, NorthPower undertakes to provide access to the network services of its transmission networks and distribution networks on the terms and conditions set out below.

#### Terms and conditions of connection and access 5.

- NorthPower undertakes to maintain and make available its *networks* for access to the *network services*:
  - (a) by Code Participants in accordance with the requirements of the Code<sup>1</sup>;
  - (b) by all persons in accordance with:
    - (i) applicable regulatory instruments:
      - Electricity Supply Act 1995 ("ES Act")<sup>2</sup>
      - all regulations made under the ES Act <sup>2</sup>
      - all licences and authorisations issued under the ES Act<sup>3</sup>
      - Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal Act 1992 ("IPART Act")<sup>2</sup>
      - all regulations and pricing determinations made under the IPART Act <sup>2</sup>
      - all regulatory instruments applicable under the Licences <sup>2</sup>: and
      - Commercial Arbitration Act 1984<sup>2</sup>.
    - (ii) good electricity industry practice and applicable Australian Standards.

## 6. Copies of amended documents

NorthPower undertakes to provide the ACCC with an updated copy of an applicable regulatory instrument annexed to this undertaking whenever that instrument is amended.

## 7. Withdrawal or variation of undertaking

NorthPower may, with the consent of the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, withdraw or vary this undertaking at any time.

**SIGNED** 

for NorthPower

by its duly authorised representatives

CORPORATE SECRETARY

RON CRAGGS

, CHIEF EXECUTAVE

TOM PARKINSÖN

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A copy of the Code will be supplied to the ACCC by NECA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A copy of these instruments will be provided by the relevant transmission *Network Service Provider* in NSW.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A copy of these instruments are annexed to this undertaking.

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