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To Whom it May Concern

Re 2015 South Australian Rail Access Regime Review

Gypsum Resources Australia Pty Limited (GRA) is Australia's largest gypsum miner and supplies gypsum to plasterboard plants and cement manufacturers in Australia and New Zealand. GRA is the sole user of the rail line connecting the Kevin Mine, some 70km West of Ceduna where the gypsum is mined, to the Port of Thevenard. Genesee and Wyoming Australia Pty Ltd is the lease holder of that railway line and has a long term arrangement with GRA to provide both above and below rail services to GRA to transport the gypsum.

GRA has pleasure in providing the following responses to the questions raised in your "*Specific Matters for Consideration in this Review*" (12 Feb 2015).

*Q1: Is there any evidence of misuse of market power by rail operators?*

**None directly observed by GRA.**

*Q2: Has the current Access Regime been successful? How should this success be measured?*

**No Comment**

*Q3: What are the benefits of retaining the current Access Regime? What would be the risks (if any) if it was to expire?*

**No Comment**

*Q4: What are the current costs of the Access Regime (e.g. costs of compliance and administration)?*

**No Comment**

*Q5: Are there alternative approaches to achieving the intent of the Access Regime that are appropriate at this time? For example, would adoption of the national access rules (under the Commonwealth Competition and Consumer Act 2010) be suitable?*

**No Comment**

*Q6: What are the intentions of rail service providers and their customers in the next 5 years? Are there any key industry developments in the foreseeable future that may impact the demand for these services?*

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*Q7: What other issues are relevant to the decision to continue, or discontinue the current Access Regime?*

**No Comment**

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*Q8: Are there any other matters that the Commission should consider as a part of the Review?*

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Kind Regards



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