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Dear Mr Mailhot

### **VARIATION OF ELECTRICITY LICENCE HELD BY MTC**

I refer to my letter of 5 August 2003 proposing variations to the transmission licence held by Murraylink Transmission Company (MTC) for its electricity operations in SA, issued in December 1999.

Following a period of public consultation on the proposed variations, and significant discussion with MTC, I have today varied the MTC transmission licence pursuant to s. 27 of the *Electricity Act 1996* ("the Act"). Please find enclosed a copy of my final determination on this matter together with a copy of the varied licence.

As discussed both in my letter of 5 August and the final determination, it is necessary that I make complementary variations to the exemption under s. 80 of the Act issued to MTC at the time of issuing of its transmission licence.

This letter constitutes formal notice to MTC, pursuant to s. 80(3) of the Act, that the exemption issued pursuant to s. 80 of the Act on 20 December 1999 is varied such that it relates only to the following provisions of s. 21 and 23 of the Act in relation to the transmission licence issued to MTC on that same date:

- (1) s. 21(1)(a) of the Act, but only in so far as that condition requires compliance with clause 2.2.2 of the Transmission Code; and
- (2) s. 23(1)(g) of the Act.

If you have any queries about this variation, please contact Patrick Walsh of this Office on (08) 8463 4445.

Yours sincerely

(signed by L Owens 31/10/03)

Lewis W Owens

**CHAIRPERSON**