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Dr Patrick Walsh Utilities Commissioner Utilities Commission GPO Box 915 DARWIN NT 0801

Dear Dr Walsh

## Re: Variation to Power and Water Corporation's Generation and Retail Licences

Power and Water Corporation (Power and Water) requests the Utilities Commission (the Commission) to vary its Generation and Retail Licences in accordance with section 32 of the *Electricity Reform Act*.

The proposed variations to the Generation and Retail Licences are necessary to enable the continued operation of the Generation and Retail businesses following structural separation of the Power and Water Corporation into three separate Government Owned Corporations from 1 July 2014.

Power and Water seeks that the Commission vary its existing Generation Licence by splitting it into two parts (Part A and Part B). The generating plants to be covered under Parts A and B are outlined in Attachment A.

As detailed in section 18 of the Government Owned Corporations (Power and Water Corporation Electricity Businesses Restructure) Regulations (the Transfer Regulations), on and after 1 July 2014:

- Part A of the existing licence will apply to Power Generation Corporation in the same way as it would, but for the Transfer Regulations, have applied to Power and Water;
- Part B of the existing licence will continue to apply to Power and Water and will not apply to Power Generation Corporation; and
- Parts A and B of the existing licence will be taken, for all purposes, to be separate generation licences held individually by Power Generation Corporation and Power and Water respectively.

Power and Water also seeks that the Commission vary its existing Retail Licence by splitting it into two parts (Part A and Part B). The retail areas to be covered under Parts A and B are outlined in Attachment B.

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As detailed in section 49 of the Transfer Regulations, on and after 1 July 2014:

- Part A of the existing licence will apply to Power Retail Corporation in the same way as it would, but for the Transfer Regulations, have applied to Power and Water;
- Part B of the existing licence will continue to apply to Power and Water and will not apply to Power Retail Corporation; and
- Parts A and B of the existing licence will be taken, for all purposes, to be separate retail licences held individually by Power Retail Corporation and Power and Water respectively.

Consistent with the Northern Territory Government's objectives in relation to structural separation of Power and Water, Power and Water considers these variations necessary to further the objects of the *Electricity Reform Act*, and in particular, to promote efficiency and competition in the electricity supply industry and to protect the interest of consumers of electricity.

Please contact Rachel Eckermann, A/Senior Manager Economics and Regulation, on (08) 8985 5846 or <u>rachel.eckermann@powerwater.com.au</u> should you have any queries in relation to these proposed amendments.

Yours sincerely

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John Baskerville Managing Director

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## **ATTACHMENT A – Parts A and B of the Generation Licence**

GENERATION LICENCE		
PART A	PART B	
Channel Island Power Station, Darwin	Indigenous communities under the Indigenous Essential Services (IES) program	
Berrimah Power Station, Darwin		
Weddell Power Station, Darwin		
Katherine Power Station, Katherine		
Tennant Creek Power Station, Tennant Creek		
Ron Goodin Power Station, Alice Springs		
Owen Springs Power Station, Alice Springs		
Yulara Power Station, Yulara		
Minor Commercial Power Stations: Borroloola, Timber Creek, Daly Waters, Elliot, Ti Tree, Kings Canyon		

## ATTACHMENT B – Parts A and B of the Retail Licence

RETAIL LICENCE		
PART A	PART B	
Darwin (city, suburbs and surrounding rural areas)	Jabiru	
Katherine (city, suburbs and surrounding rural areas)	Nhulunbuy	
Tennant Creek (city, suburbs and surrounding rural areas)	Alyangula	
Alice Springs (city, suburbs and surrounding rural areas)	Indigenous communities under the Indigenous	
Daly Waters		
Borroloola	Essential Services (IES) program	
Timber Creek		
Elliot		
Newcastle Waters		
Yulara		
Ti Tree		
Kings Canyon	]	