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Dr Malcolm Roberts Chairman Queensland Competition Authority GPO Box 2257 BRISBANE QLD 4001

## Dear Dr Roberts

I refer to the current Delegation and Terms of Reference (ToR), issued to the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) on 5 September 2012, for determining regulated retail electricity prices for the three year delegation period 2013–14 to 2015–16 (with annual price determinations published each year), as authorised under section 90AA(1) of the *Electricity Act 1994* (the Act). Under the current Delegation, the Draft Determination on regulated prices for 2013–14 is required to be released no later than 15 February 2013.

In acknowledging your recent appointment as Chairman of the QCA Board on 29 January 2013, I have amended the current Delegation and ToR to extend the date for the release of the Draft Determination to 22 February 2013. I trust that this will provide the Board with additional time to comprehensively consider the QCA's Draft Determination for 2013–14 regulated retail prices, in advance of its public release.

Accordingly, I have attached a new Certificate of Delegation and ToR directing the QCA to publish the Draft Determination on regulated retail electricity prices for 2013–14 on 22 February 2013.

I thank the QCA for its work to date on the 2013–14 regulated pricing process, and will continue to encourage stakeholders to actively participate in the QCA's ongoing consultation process.

Should you require anything further, please contact Mr Benn Barr, A/Deputy Director-General, Energy Sector Reform, on 323 90039, or email benn.barr@dews.gld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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Att: Electricity Act 1994 Delegation