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Dear Glenn,

**EXTENSION OF TIME FOR COMPLETION OF FITNESS FOR PURPOSE
ASSESSMENT PIPELINE LICENCE 8**

I refer to APA Group's letter dated 17 September 2018 requesting a subsequent extension of time to undertake the Fitness for Purpose (FFP) assessment (Regulation 30) for the South Australian portion of the Moomba to Sydney Ethane Pipeline, licensed to Gorodok Pty Ltd (a wholly owned subsidiary of APA Group) under Pipeline Licence (PL) 8.

An extension of time was previously granted on 12 September 2017, to allow the FFP assessment, previously due by the 22 of November 2017, to be completed by 22 November 2018, with submission of the report within 2 months after completion of the assessment. This extension of time was granted to allow for the input of findings from the in-line inspection (ILI), which commenced in November 2017.


Unfortunately, due to technical issues experienced with the ILI tool in 2018, the inspection has been postponed until November 2018. APA have requested an extension of time to ensure that the findings of the rescheduled ILI are considered in the FFP assessment.

In this regard, pursuant to Section 134 of the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Act 2000*, I hereby grant an extension of time for completion of the FFP assessment for the SA portion of the Ethane Pipeline (PL 8) until 22 November 2019, with submission of a report within 2 months of completion of the assessment.

This extension of time is conditional on APA, prior to the anniversary date of 22 November 2018, providing their recently completed Remaining Life Review report, committing to timely completion of any actions identified and making a statement that the pipeline will remain fit for purpose in the interim.

If you have any questions in relation to this matter please do not hesitate to contact Mieka Webb on (08) 8463 3815 or Mieka.webb@sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Malavazos', enclosed within a large, hand-drawn oval shape.

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Sub Delegate of the Minister for Mineral Resources and Energy