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NOTICE

EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLY WITH RING FENCING PROVISIONS FOR THE TUBRIDGI AND GRIFFIN PIPELINES (LICENCE NUMBERS WA: PL16 AND WA: PL19)

This is to advise that Boral Energy Resources on behalf of SAGASCO South East Inc (SAGASCO) as operator of the Tubridgi L9 Production Joint Venture (TJV) has made application for an extension of time to comply with the ring fencing obligations for the Tubridgi Pipeline (WA: PL16) and the Griffin Pipeline (WA: PL19).

The National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems (the Code) provides that a pipeline service provider is to comply with the ring fencing obligations in paragraphs (a), (b), (h) and (i) of section 4.1 within 6 months after a pipeline becomes covered. The Code also provides that a pipeline service provider must submit a proposed Access Arrangement together with the applicable Access Arrangement Information for a covered pipeline within 90 days after a pipeline becomes covered. In effect, these provisions ensure compliance with the ring fencing obligations in paragraphs (a), (b), (h) and (i) of section 4.1 of the Code within 3 months after an Access Arrangement has been lodged.

On the 7 May 1999, I granted a 158 day extension of time for SAGASCO to submit an Access Arrangement in respect of the Tubridgi pipeline (WA: PL16). In effect, this extension of time was granted to a date no later than 21 October 1999. On the basis that the Code seeks compliance of the ring fencing obligations in paragraphs (a), (b), (h) and (i) of section 4.1 of the Code within 3 months after an Access Arrangement has been lodged, I have granted an extension of time for the Tubridgi Pipeline to comply with these obligations to a date no later than 21 January 2000.

As I have today granted SAGASCO a further extension of time to 3 September 1999, to lodge an Access Arrangement for the Griffin Pipeline (WA: PL19), I have also granted an extension of time for the Griffin Pipeline to comply with the ring fencing obligations in paragraphs (a), (b), (h) and (i) of section 4.1 of the Code to a date no later than 3 December 1999.

The granting of these extensions of time are in accordance with section 7.19 of the Code.

KEN MICHAEL GAS ACCESS REGULATOR

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