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NOTICE CMS GAS TRANSMISSION PARMELIA PIPELINE ACCESS ARRANGEMENT EXTENSION OF TIME

CMS Gas Transmission of Australia ARBN 078 902 397 (CMS) submitted an Access Arrangement on 7 May 1999 for approval by the WA Independent Gas Pipelines Access Regulator (the Regulator) under the National Third Party Access Code for Natural Gas Pipeline Systems ("the Code").

The Access Arrangement describes the terms and conditions under which CMS will provide access to the Parmelia Pipeline to third parties.

The Regulator issued a Draft Decision on 27 October 1999, and advertised for comments from members of the public.

Section 2.21 of the Code requires the Regulator to complete his Final Decision within 6 months of the receipt of the proposed Access Arrangement, but section 2.22 allows the Regulator to extend this period by up to 2 months on one or more occasions.

Accordingly, I have decided, pursuant to section 2.22 of the Code, to extend the period of assessment by a further two months from 7 January 2000 to 7 March 2000.

Please direct any inquiries to Mr Mike Jansen (08) 9213 1925.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ken Michael'.

**KEN MICHAEL
GAS ACCESS REGULATOR**

20 December 1999

