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Dear John

**Submission on Draft Recommendation re MPOC Change Request 21 December 2012.**

Contact Energy Limited ("Contact") welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback to the Gas Industry Company ("GIC") on its draft recommendation regarding the MPOC Change Request dated 21 December 2012 proposed by MDL ("Recommendation").

With regard to expediting the change request process, Contact is comfortable that in this instance it is warranted. Particularly as in this instance we have been consulted, the changes will add value and the change is restricted to one issue which is not complex. Contact would not see this as a precedent for more complex future change requests.

Contact supports the GIC's Recommendation. However the changes to the approval and confirmation deadlines will require changes to Contact's nomination system. On the expectation that the change request will be agreed Contact has already begun implementation of those IT changes required. Given the nature of IT changes and the testing required Contact would prefer for the implementation date of the change request, should it be approved, be 1 April 2013 rather than 1 March 2013. This should still meet the winter demand deadline.

Yours sincerely

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