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Mr Ian Woodward Chairman The Reliability Panel Australian Energy Market Commission Level 5, 201 Elizabeth Street Sydney NSW 2000

By email: submissions@aemc.gov.au

Dear lan,

Transmission Reliability Standards – Interim Report

Grid Australia welcomes the opportunity to comment on the Reliability Panel's Interim Report "Towards a Nationally Consistent Framework for Transmission Reliability Standards", which was published on 5 August 2008.

As discussed at the joint AEMC-Panel stakeholder consultation workshop held on 14 August, Grid Australia is broadly supportive of the Panel's Interim Report and recommendations including:

- the set of principles that the Panel intends to recommend for developing a nationally consistent framework for transmission reliability standards; and
- the preferred option for a nationally consistent framework for transmission reliability standards, assessed against these principles (Option F).

Grid Australia agrees with the Panel that the interim recommendations represent an effective and implementable package of reforms and looks forward to its further involvement in their implementation.

Yours sincerely,

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