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Dr John Tamblyn, Chairman Australian Energy Market Commission Level 16, 1 Margaret Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

For attention of Mr Ian Woodward, Commissioner, by email: panel@aemc.gov.au

Dear Ian

Submission on draft guidelines for identifying Reviewable Operating Incidents

The National Generators' Forum (NGF) wishes to thank the Reliability Panel for operating a good consultative process towards the development of these guidelines. We welcomed the opportunity to participate via a representative on the technical reference group and would be pleased to assist in such groups in the future.

The guidelines as published accurately reflect the conclusions of the group and are supported by the NGF.

The NGF strongly supports the footnote to part 7 that anticipates participants bringing incidents to the panel's attention for them to consider an ad-hoc investigation. This role emphasises the need for continued broad panel membership.

The NGF has reviewed NEMMCO's amendment suggestions to the structure dated 28 August 2006. We concur these appear to improve the structure and NER consistency without affecting the intent. The collapse of the last three points into one has slightly reduced its readability.

For further discussion please call Ben Skinner of TRUenergy on 03 8628 1280.

Yours sincerely,

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