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Dear MCE Secretariat

**Re: Proposed Framework Schedule for Transfer of Distribution and Retail Functions**

Thank you for the invitation to provide comments on the Proposed Framework Schedule for the Transfer of Distribution and Retail Functions.

As the market administrators for gas full retail competition within the gas distribution networks situated in South Australia, Western Australia, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory, Gas Market Company and Retail Energy Market Company are most willing to co-operate with the MCE in the transfer of appropriate distribution and retail functions to a national framework. However, we wish to ensure that the co-regulatory model, which has delivered efficient and effective outcomes in the gas markets that we administer, and which we have described in earlier submissions to the MCE, is maintained in that transfer.

We also wish to note that any transfer of obligations should be compatible with the arrangements which apply under the Co-Regulatory model as it operates in the Western Australian gas market.

Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either

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Yours sincerely,

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