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Dear Mr Henry,

### 2005 Electricity Distribution Review – Demand Forecasts

Please take this as Ergon Energy's response to the McLennan Magasanik Associates (MMA) Draft Report Demand Forecasts for Distribution Network Services in Queensland.

We note that Energy Sales values shown in tables 6-10, for East plus West Ergon, have listed Sales GWh figures for MMA and Ergon forecasts greater than the Ergon total in the executive summary. It is presumed that the discrepancies are related to a lack of consistency in the handling of TNCPs, which should be clarified or corrected.

We note some differences from Ergon Energy's forecasts but believe that such differences are relatively minor given the inherent uncertainty in predicting the future.

We have not reviewed the validity of MMA's methodology.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tony Pfeiffer', written over a circular stamp or mark.

Tony Pfeiffer  
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