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17 April 2019

Mr Andrew Harris Facility Manager Air Liquide Australia Limited Royal Domain Centre 9/380 St. Kilda Road MELBOURNE VIC 3004

Dear Andrew,

Re: Statement of Environmental Objectives (SEO) – Air Liquide, Caroline Carbon Dioxide Purification Plant (December 2013)

In response to your letter dated 9 April 2019 requesting me as the Minister's delegate to concur with Air Liquide's position that the *Caroline Carbon Dioxide Purification Plant Statement of Environmental Objectives* (December 2013) does not require revision for re-gazettal pursuant to Regulation 14 of the *Petroleum and Geothermal Energy Regulations* 2013. Your premise for this request is that the plant and well are currently decommissioned and that the facility site is in the process of being rehabilitated.

DEM-ERD acknowledges that production at the plant ceased in 2016, the Caroline-1 well was decommissioned in 2018 and the facility and site are now in the process of being rehabilitated in accord with the recently submitted facility closure and post closure plan, scheduled to be completed by 2022.

On this basis I concur that there is no need to revise the current SEO, I also understand and request that decommissioning and rehabilitation activities continue under the requirements of the current SEO gazetted in December 2013.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter please contact Jarrod Spencer via email at <a href="mailto:jarrod.spencer2@sa.gov.au">jarrod.spencer2@sa.gov.au</a> or on (08) 8429 2447.

Yours sincerely,

**Executive Director** 

**Energy Resources Division** 

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