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## **APA GROUP RESPONSE TO GAS SUPPLY DISRUPTION AT APACHE ENERGY'S VARANUS ISLAND GAS PLANT**

On Tuesday afternoon 3 June 2008, Apache Energy advised that an explosion had occurred at its Varanus Island gas processing plant off the coast of Western Australia, disrupting delivery of gas from the plant. The interruption to gas deliveries is expected to last for a number of days.

APA Group (APA) said that the incident has disrupted gas supplies into its 88% owned Goldfields Gas Pipeline ("GGP") and its 100% owned Telfer Gas Pipeline.

Since the announcement, APA has worked with customers on the GGP to enable them to source alternate supplies of gas through the Dampier Bunbury Pipeline which interconnects with the GGP. By 11:00am Wednesday 4 June, approximately 90% of the curtailed gas quantities into the GGP had been replaced by either alternate gas supplies or liquid fuels.

The incident is not expected to have any material financial impact on APA.

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### **About APA Group (APA)**

APA Group, comprised of Australian Pipeline Trust and APT Investment Trust, is the major ASX-listed energy transmission company in Australia with interests in almost 12,000 kms of natural gas pipeline infrastructure, over 2,300 kms of gas distribution networks in south east Queensland, Coal Seam Gas processing plants, gas fired power stations, gas storage facilities and two high voltage direct current interconnector systems.

APA manages and operates all its assets and also provides management and operation services to gas distribution and transmission company Envestra (which owns 19,100 km of natural gas distribution networks and 1,029 km of natural gas transmission pipelines). It also holds a 17.8 percent stake in Envestra and a one-third interest in the SEAGas pipeline. APA Group has a varied and quality customer base including AGL Energy, Cooper Eromanga Basin Producers, Xstrata, Newmont, CS Energy, BHP Billiton, Zinifex, Incitec Pivot, Origin, RioTinto, Nickel West, Synergy and Verve Energy.