

Results of Australian Pipeline Trust (“APA”) for the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

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Current Reporting Period: Half Year ending 31 December 2003

Previous Corresponding Period: Half Year ending 31 December 2002

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Results For Announcement To The Market For the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

Revenue and Net Profit/(Loss)

		Percentage Change %	Amount \$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	up	0.62	to 133,176
Profit/(loss) from ordinary activities after tax attributable to members	up	4.05	to 22,148
Net profit/(loss) attributable to members	up	4.05	to 22,148

Dividends (Distributions)

	Amount per security	Franked amount per security
Final distributions	-¢	-¢
Interim distributions paid (Refer Note 8)		
Income component	11.5¢	-¢
Capital component	0.0¢	-¢
Total interim distributions paid	11.5¢	-¢
Record date for determining entitlements to the Unrecognised interim distribution (Refer Note 8)		
• final dividend		-
• interim dividend		8 March, 2004

Brief Explanation of Revenue, Net Profit/(Loss) and Dividends (Distributions)

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Condensed Statement of Financial Performance For the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
Revenue from ordinary activities	133,176	132,358
Share of net profits of joint venture entities accounted for using the equity method	7,831	6,024
Pipeline operation and management expenses	(19,072)	(21,166)
Other pipeline costs	(38,434)	(35,508)
Depreciation and amortisation expense	(12,234)	(12,281)
Borrowing costs	(31,684)	(31,071)
Other expenses from ordinary activities	(4,400)	(4,665)
<i>Profit from Ordinary Activities before Income Tax Expense</i>	35,183	33,691
Note 2		
Income tax expense relating to ordinary activities	(12,814)	(12,264)
<i>Profit from Ordinary Activities after Income Tax Expense</i>	22,369	21,427
Net profit attributable to outside equity interests	(221)	(141)
<i>Net Profit Attributable to Unitholders of the Parent Entity</i>	22,148	21,286
<i>Total Changes In Equity other than those Resulting from Transactions with Unitholders as Owners</i>	22,148	21,286
<i>Earnings per unit (cents per unit)</i>		
Earnings used to calculate earnings per unit (\$'000)	22,148	21,286
Weighted average number of units (million)	244.943	244.000
Basic earnings per unit based on profit from ordinary activities after income tax expense attributable to unitholders of the parent entity	9.04	8.72

(Diluted earnings per unit is exactly the same as basic earnings per unit)

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Condensed Statement of Financial Position As At 31 December 2003

	31 Dec 2003 \$'000	30 June 2003 \$'000
Current Assets		
Cash	31,083	16,316
Receivables	14,926	19,564
Inventories	52	75
Prepayments	667	1,185
Other	1,348	-
Total Current Assets	48,076	37,140
Non-Current Assets		
Receivables	122	34
Investments accounted for using the equity method	155,978	155,808
Other financial assets	-	-
Property, plant and equipment	1,211,530	1,222,117
Intangibles	6,770	7,352
Deferred tax assets	8,542	6,530
Other	4,237	2,841
Total Non-Current Assets	1,387,179	1,394,682
Total Assets	1,435,255	1,431,822
Current Liabilities		
Payables	54,395	51,255
Interest-bearing liabilities	191	218
Current tax liabilities	11,463	-
Provisions	430	961
Other	3,664	7,076
Total Current Liabilities	70,143	59,510
Non-Current Liabilities		
Payables	48,080	-
Interest-bearing liabilities	700,113	760,097
Deferred tax liabilities	169,816	167,600
Provisions	139	136
Other	1,196	1,299
Total Non-Current Liabilities	919,344	929,132
Total Liabilities	989,487	988,642
Net Assets	445,768	443,180

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Condensed Statement of Financial Position As At 31 December 2003

	31 Dec 2003 \$'000	30 June 2003 \$'000
Equity		
Contributed Equity	483,275	474,787
Capital Distribution	(47,824)	(47,824)
Contributed Equity at period end	435,451	426,963
Retained profits	10,197	16,195
Parent Entity Interest	445,648	443,158
Outside Equity Interest	120	22
Total Equity	445,768	443,180

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Condensed Statement of Cash Flows For the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

	2003	2002
	\$'000	\$'000
<i>Cash Flows From Operating Activities</i>		
Receipts from customers	140,624	138,309
Payments to suppliers and employees	(79,864)	(69,202)
Dividends received	7,667	5,701
Interest received	2,064	268
Interest and other costs of finance paid	(18,610)	(27,269)
Income tax paid	(1,053)	(756)
<i>Net cash provided by operating activities</i>	50,828	47,051
<i>Cash Flows From Investing Activities</i>		
Payment for investments in joint venture entities	(7)	-
Payment for property, plant and equipment	(1,393)	(12,900)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	139	122
Purchase of controlled entities, net of cash acquired	-	-
<i>Net cash used in investing activities</i>	(1,261)	(12,778)
<i>Cash Flows From Financing Activities</i>		
Proceeds from borrowings	512,036	92,000
Repayment of borrowings	(524,156)	(99,113)
Distributions paid	(28,362)	(28,279)
Proceeds from issue of Units	8,576	-
Payment for Unit issue costs	(88)	-
Payment of debt issue costs	(2,806)	-
<i>Net cash used in financing activities</i>	(34,800)	(35,392)
<i>Net Increase In Cash Held</i>	14,767	(1,119)
<i>Cash At The Beginning Of The Financial Year</i>	16,316	15,691
<i>Cash At The End Of The Financial Period</i>	31,083	14,572

Note 7(a)

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Half Year Ended 31 December 2003

1. Basis of Preparation

The half-year financial report is a general purpose financial report prepared in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB1029 "Interim Financial Reporting", the Corporations Act 2001 and the Listing Rules of the Australian Stock Exchange. The half-year financial report does not include notes of the type normally included in an annual financial report and should be read in conjunction with the 2003 annual financial report.

The accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this report are consistent with those adopted and disclosed in the 2003 annual financial report, except those disclosed below.

Details of changes in accounting policies:

-NIL-

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	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
2. Profit from Ordinary Activities		
Profit from ordinary activities before income tax includes the following items of revenue and expense:		
(a) Revenue from Ordinary Activities		
Sales Revenue:		
Pipeline transportation revenue	85,568	89,842
Other pipeline revenue - passthrough	38,434	35,508
	124,002	125,350
Interest revenue	9,019	6,880
Other	155	128
	133,176	132,358
(b) Expenses		
Pipeline Operating and Management Expenses	19,072	21,166
Other Pipeline Costs:		
Operating Lease – rental expense	7,411	7,503
Gas Pipeline Costs	31,023	28,005
Total Other Pipeline Costs	38,434	35,508
Depreciation of non-current assets	11,652	11,699
Amortisation of non-current assets	582	582
Depreciation and Amortisation Expense	12,234	12,281
(c) Revision of Accounting Estimates		

Details of the nature and amount of revisions of accounting estimates:

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3. Commentary on Results

-See Appendix 1 Attached-

4. Extraordinary Items

There were no extraordinary items during the period.

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	2003 \$'000		2002 \$'000
5. Retained Profits			
Balance at beginning of financial period	16,195		769
Adjustments to opening retained profits on initial adoption of AASB1044 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets'			
Write back prior year distribution provision	-		15,860
Net profit attributable for the period	22,148		21,286
Distributions paid for the period	(28,146)		(23,180)
Balance at end of financial period	10,197		14,735
	Units No. \$'000	Issue Price \$	Contr. Equity \$'000
6. Contributed Equity			
Balance as at 30 June 2003	244,000	-	426,963
Issued Under Dividend Re-Investment Plan			
On 25 September 2003	1,723	2.73	4,704
On 29 December 2003	1,548	2.50	3,872
Unit Issue Expenses	-		(88)
	247,271		435,451

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2003	2002
\$'000	\$'000

7. Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows

(a) Reconciliation of Cash

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in banks and investments in money market instruments, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:

Cash at bank and on hand	7,823	9,455
Short-term deposits	23,260	5,117
	31,083	14,572

(b) Financing Facilities

Unsecured syndicated bank borrowings:

Amount used	250,000	754,000
Amount unused	250,000	91,000
	500,000	845,000

Guaranteed Senior Notes (issued September 2003)

	A\$ Amount \$'000	Maturity Date
<u>Denominated in A\$</u>		
Series A Notes	102,000	9 Sept., 2010
<u>Denominated in US\$</u>		
Series B Notes	98,845	9 Sept., 2013
Series C Notes	162,960	9 Sept., 2015
Series D Notes	84,151	9 Sept., 2018
	447,956	
Net payable on currency swaps entered into, to hedge the borrowings	48,080	
	496,036	

(c) Cash Balances Not Available for Use

- NIL -

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8. Details Relating to Distributions

	2003		2002	
	Cents per Unit	Total \$'000	Cents per Unit	Total \$'000
Recognised amounts:				
Final distribution in respect of financial year ended 30 June 2003 paid on 25 September 2003 (2002: 30 September 2002)				
Income distribution ^a	6.5	15,860	6.5	15,860
Capital distribution	-	-	-	-
First interim distribution in respect of financial year ending 30 June 2004 paid on 29 December 2003 (2002: 20 Dec 2002)				
Income distribution ^a	5.0	12,286	3.0	7,320
Capital distribution	-	-	2.0	4,880
	11.5	28,146	11.5	28,026
Unrecognised amounts:				
Second interim distribution in respect of financial year ending 30 June 2004 payable on 29 March 2004 (2002: 28 March 2002)				
Income distribution ^a	3.6	8,902	3.0	7,320
Capital distribution	1.4	3,462	2.0	4,880
	5.0	12,364	5.0	12,200

^a Income distributions for 2003 and 2002 were unfranked.

The second interim distribution in respect of the year ended 30 June 2004 has not been recognised in this half yearly report because the distribution was declared, determined or publicly recommended subsequent to 31 December 2003.

	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
Franking account balance (tax paid basis)	3,706	1,119

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8. Details Relating to Distributions (continued)

The dividend or distribution plans shown below are in operation.

The distribution reinvestment plan that is in operation is the Australian Pipeline Trust Distribution Reinvestment Plan. The plan became effective on 15 August 2003.

The last date(s) for receipt of election notices for the dividend or distribution plans

8 March, 2004

9. Earnings Per Unit

	2003 ¢ per unit	2002 ¢ per unit
Basic EPU	9.04	8.72

Basic Earnings per Unit

The earnings and weighted average number of ordinary units used in the calculation of basic earnings per unit are as follows:

	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
Earnings (a)	22,148	21,286
	2003 No. '000	2002 No. '000
Weighted average number of ordinary units	244,943	244,000

(a) Earnings used in the calculation of basic earnings per unit reconciles to net profit in the statement of financial performance as follows:

	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
Net profit from ordinary activities after tax attributable to unitholders	22,148	21,286
Restatement of net profit used in the calculation of basic EPU for the effects of:		
Changes in accounting policy adjusted directly against opening retained earnings in accordance with the transitional provisions of Accounting Standards and UIG Consensus Views	-	-
Earnings used in the calculation of basic EPU	22,148	21,286

Diluted Earnings per Unit

Diluted earnings per unit is exactly the same as basic earnings per unit.

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10. Net Tangible Assets Per Security

	2003 \$	2002 \$
Net tangible assets per security ^a	1.77	1.80

^a Net Tangible Asset reflects the return of capital included in the interim and final distributions.

11. Details of Entities Over Which Control Has Been Gained or Lost

Control gained over entities

Name of entity (or group of entities)

Not Applicable

Date control gained

Not Applicable

Contribution of the controlled entity (or group of entities) to profit/(loss) from ordinary activities during the period, from the date of gaining control.

**2003
\$'000**

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Net profit/(loss) of the controlled entity (or group of entities) for the whole of the previous corresponding period.

**2002
\$'000**

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11. Details of Entities Over Which Control Has Been Gained or Lost (continued)

Loss of control of entities

Name of entity (or group of entities)	Not Applicable
Date control lost	Not Applicable-

	2003
	\$'000
Contribution of the controlled entity (or group of entities) to profit/(loss) from ordinary activities during the period, to the date of losing control.	-
	2002
	\$'000
Contribution of the controlled entity (or group of entities) to profit/(loss) from ordinary activities for the whole of the previous corresponding period.	-

12. Details of Associates and Joint Venture Entities

Name of Entity	Ownership Interest		Contribution to net profit	
	2003 %	2002 %	2003 \$'000	2002 \$000
Equity accounted associates and joint venture entities				
SCP Investments (No.1) Pty Limited ^a	55	45	7,831	6,024
Other material interests	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-
Aggregate Share of Profits/ (Losses)	-	-	7,831	6,024

^a On 30 April 2003, the consolidated entity acquired an additional 10% interest in SCP Investment (No.1) Pty Limited taking the total ownership to 55%.

Even though APA has a 55% ownership interest, the investment in SCP Investments (No. 1) Pty Limited has been equity accounted as APA, pursuant to the Shareholders Agreement, does not control nor have the capacity to carry any resolution at the meeting of the directors, which requires a higher majority of the total number of votes which may be cast in relation to the resolution than that controlled by APA.

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13. Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets

	2003 \$'000	2002 \$'000
Contingent liabilities		
Bank guarantees	78	35
Contingent assets	-	-

14. Segment Information

APA operates predominantly in one business segment, being gas transmission infrastructure, and one geographical segment, being Australia. APA earns revenue by selling transportation and related services to the producers, consumers and aggregators of gas.

15. Discontinuing Operations

Not Applicable

16. Subsequent Events

There has not been any matter or circumstance that has arisen since the end of the financial period, that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect, the operations of APA in future financial periods.

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17. Other Significant Information

Tax Consolidation System

Legislation to allow groups, comprising a parent entity and its Australian resident wholly-owned entities, to elect to consolidate and be treated as a single entity for income tax purposes was substantively enacted on 21 October 2002. This legislation, which includes mandatory and elective elements, is applicable to APA.

At the date of this report, the directors await legislation to enable corporate unit trusts, such as APA, to be "head entities" within consolidated groups. While a press release permitting such an arrangement was issued by the Minister for Revenue and the Assistant Treasurer, the Honourable Helen Coonan on 27 March 2003, follow up legislation to implement these measures is still to be introduced in the Parliament. Accordingly, the directors have not made a decision whether or not to elect to be taxed as a single entity. The financial effect of the implementation of the elective elements of the tax consolidation system on APA has not been recognised in the financial statements.

Income Tax Expense

The income tax expense shown in the Statement of Financial Performance varies by more than 15% from the prima facie tax payable on Profit from Ordinary Activities before Income Tax for the period, primarily due to non-deductibility of interest expense on infrastructure bonds of \$3.461 million and non-deductible depreciation and amortisation charges totalling \$3.962 million arising mainly from the fair valuing of assets on acquisitions.

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18. Compliance Statement

Information on Audit or Review

(a) This report is a general purpose financial report and has been prepared in accordance with AASB standard, other AASB authoritative pronouncements and Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views.

(b) This half year report is based on accounts to which one of the following applies.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | The accounts are in the process of being audited or subject to review. | <input type="checkbox"/> | The accounts have not yet been audited or reviewed. |

(c) Description of likely dispute or qualification if the accounts have not yet been audited or subject to review or are in the process of being audited or subjected to review.

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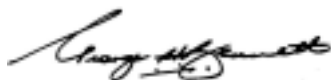
(d) Description of dispute or qualification if the accounts have been audited or subjected to review.

- N/A -

(e) This half yearly report does not include all the notes to the financial statements, of the type normally disclosed in the annual financial report.

(f) The entity has a formally constituted audit committee.

Sign here:



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Chairman

Date

Print name: George H Bennett

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Appendix 1

In respect of the six months ending 31 December 2003, APA achieved net profit after tax and minorities of \$22.148 million, an increase of 4.05% over the previous corresponding period's ("pcp") figure of \$21.286 million. The following is a commentary on the operating results for the period:

Revenue:

The Revenue from ordinary activities grew by 0.62% from \$132.358 million to \$133.176 million. The margin-bearing Pipeline transportation revenue (which excludes Other pipeline revenue-which is passthrough in nature-, interest revenue and other revenue) fell by <4.76%> from \$89.842 million in the pcp to \$85.568 million in the current period. Excluding the one-off receipt of \$1.886 million in the pcp in relation to termination of Westline contract, the actual Pipeline transportation revenue was lower by <2.71%>, principally as a result of lower revenue from the major pipeline asset of APA, the Moomba to Sydney pipeline.

As outlined in the Annual Report 2003, transportation revenue from the Moomba to Sydney Pipeline ("MSP") reduces under the Gas Transmission Deed ("GTD") over the next few years till 2007. This reflects the view of the negotiators of GTD that the impact of competition and retail contestability in energy market would be firmly established. Despite the delayed introduction of competition reforms and full retail contestability in the energy market, it is now expected that alternative gas aggregators and major gas users will emerge with requirements for additional capacity. It is anticipated that this will help offset the impact of the reduction in the future contracted capacity position under the GTD. APA is already dealing with enquiries from various interested parties.

Further, APA is an active participant in the rationalisation that is occurring with in the gas transmission industry and a successful acquisition will not only increase and diversify APA's asset base, but will also reduce its reliance on MSP revenues and increase total revenues.

Pipeline transportation revenue from other major pipeline assets of APA, the Roma to Brisbane Pipeline ("RBP") and the Carpentaria Gas Pipeline ("CGP"), increased compared to pcp, following various capacity expansion programmes undertaken in the previous financial periods.

The Share of net profits of associates increased by 30.0% from \$6.024 million in the pcp to \$7.831 million in the current period. This was a result of the acquisition of the TransAlta Corporation's interest in the Goldfields Gas Transmission pipeline in April 2003, and lower underlying costs.

Expenses:

The Pipeline operating and management expenses reduced from \$21.166 million in the pcp to \$19.072 million in the current period, a reduction of 9.89%, mainly due to an one-off adjustment from Amadeus Gas Trust.

The net borrowing cost reduced from \$24.191 million in the pcp to \$22.665 million, a reduction of 6.31%. This reduction resulted from the re-negotiation of various hedge contracts following the recent issue (in September 2003) of Guaranteed Senior Notes ("Notes") in the United States Private Placement market. The issue, which was in dual currencies involving Australian dollar ("A\$") and US dollar ("US\$"), had a tenor which extended up to 15 years. An amount of A\$102 million and US\$259 million was raised from the Note issue. The US\$ exposure has been fully hedged.

The Note issue has increased the over-all term of APA's debt, which is consistent with the business profile of the group ie. involvement with long-life infrastructure assets.

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Appendix 1

Cash Flow and Debt:

The cash generated from operating activities was \$50.828 million, which was an increase of \$3.777 million over the pcp as discussed.

The cash at the end of the period increased by \$16.316 million to \$31.083 million after net debt repayment of \$12.120 million and distribution to APA Unitholders of \$28.146 million.

The US\$ Private Placement raised \$496.036 million, which was utilised to repay the existing unsecured borrowing.

Distribution Reinvestment Plan and Earnings Per Unit:

The Distribution Reinvestment Plan instituted earlier and operational for the final distribution of financial year ended 30 June 2003 and first interim distribution of the current financial year raised \$8.488 million, net of costs, from the 3.271 million units that were issued. As at 31 December 2003, 247.271 million units were issued.

The Earnings Per Unit, calculated on a weighted average basis, for the current period was 9.04 cents per unit ("cpu") compared to pcp figure of 8.72 cpu, an increase of 3.67%, reflecting higher net profit after tax.

Seasonal Factors:

Gas transmission is a seasonal industry with the transportation in winter months (first half of the financial year) being higher than the summer months. However, the firm long-term contracts that have been entered into by APA, limit the level of variability in relation to revenues and operating profits.

Regulatory:

Discussions with, and submissions to, governments and regulators on regulation of gas transmission pipelines continued to have a significant impact on APA's resources. A number of very significant regulatory matters addressed during the period included:

- Revocation decision on Moomba to Sydney Pipeline System

The Minister's decision on 19 November 2003 to partially uncover the MSP was consistent with the approach adopted by APA and the gas transmission pipeline industry. The decision revokes regulatory coverage over most of the MSP. In the Minister's view, pipelines which deliver gas to regional areas of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory do have some monopoly characteristics, and therefore regulatory coverage of those areas is appropriate for the present.

Following the release of the Minister's decision, several parties have requested that the Australian Competition Tribunal review the Minister's decision. APA has joined these proceedings to protect its interests. Proceedings are unlikely to commence prior to June 2004 and it is expected that resolution of this matter may take several months.

- Merits Review of ACCC Final Access Arrangement on MSP

East Australian Pipeline Limited (EAPL), a wholly-owned subsidiary of APA, has requested the Australian Competition Tribunal to review the final access arrangement issued by the ACCC on MSP in December 2003. There are a number of grounds upon which EAPL is requesting the review. EAPL is encouraged by the recent decisions on access arrangements on the GasNet pipeline system and the Epic Moomba to Adelaide Pipeline.

It is likely that this matter will be resolved prior to the question of revocation being concluded.

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- Review of Goldfields Gas Transmission (GGT) Pipeline Access Arrangement

On 2 December 2003, the Full Court of the Supreme Court of Western Australia found that the State Agreement was unenforceable, in so far as the owners of the GGT were attempting to compel the Western Australian Parliament to circumscribe the operation of the Access Law in considering the GGT access arrangement. Since then the owners of the GGT have been in discussion with Government to address the matters raised in the Full Court decision.

- National Competition Council Recommendation on Queensland Pipelines

APA and the Queensland Government continue to oppose the recommendation by the National Competition Council to the Honourable Ian Campbell, Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer, that the Queensland Gas Access Regime is “not effective”. If the recommendation is upheld, it may destabilise the existing contractual arrangements on the RBP and CGP.

- Productivity Commission

The Productivity Commission released its draft report on the National Gas Access Regime on 15 December 2003. The draft report highlighted the need for light-handed monitoring by regulators as an alternative to the current regime, improved guidance to regulators for approvals of access arrangements and reference tariffs and “greenfields” regulations to apply to prospective new pipelines.

Public submissions have been sought with a closing date of March 2004. Following consultation and input, it is expected that the Commission will finalise its report to the Federal Government by June 2004.

APA welcomes the direction of the draft report and looks forward to participating in the development of a better and more workable gas access regime.

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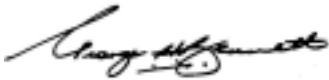
Directors' Declaration

The directors declare that:

- a) The attached financial statements and notes thereto comply with Accounting Standards;
- b) The attached financial statements and notes thereto give a true and fair view of the financial position and performance of the consolidated entity;
- c) In the directors' opinion, the attached financial statements and notes thereto are in accordance with the Corporations Act, 2001; and
- d) In the directors' opinion, there are reasonable grounds to believe that APA will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the directors made pursuant to s.303(5) of the Corporations Act, 2001.

On behalf of the Directors



G H Bennett
Chairman



James K McDonald
Director

SYDNEY, 26 February 2004.