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**RE: Section 70, POA and Condition 4(a) of PEL 238: Exempt area consent**

I refer to your letter dated 7 October 2014 requesting an exempt area consent for the above exploration wells.

I, Rachel Connell, Director, Office of Coal Seam Gas, under delegation from the Minister for Resources and Energy, dated 16 May 2013, in accordance with section 70 of the *Petroleum (Onshore) Act 1991* and are conditions of PEL238, consent to the holder of Petroleum Exploration Licence No 238 (Act 1955) exercising the rights conferred by the Act and the licence at Dewhurst 30 and 31 Pilot well sites within Pilliga State Forests.

For further information, please contact Chris Rudens on (02) 4222 8321.

Yours Sincerely,

**Rachel Connell**  
Director, Office of Coal Seam Gas.

Date: 22 October 2014