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Mr Andrew Lewis Executive Director Energy Department of Planning and Environment Locked Bag 5022 Parramatta NSW 2124.

Via email: andrew.lewis@planning.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Lewis

Authority to Survey (ATS) application – Hunter Gas Pipeline

As you are aware, in July 2022 the Hunter Gas Pipeline (HGP) submitted an Authority to Survey (ATS) application.

Since Santos acquired the Hunter Gas Pipeline Pty Ltd in August 2022, we have been working to progress the next steps of the proposed project, which includes pipeline studies and field surveys along the preliminary pipeline corridor and adjacent land on the Narrabri to Hexham section of the pipeline route.

We recognise landholder interest in the location of the upcoming survey work and have worked quickly to provide certainty to landholders about our proposed survey areas.

We have identified several properties where we do not require access for upcoming survey works. These include properties located along the Rutherford lateral and on Kooragang Island. There are no plans to construct the pipeline in these locations.

On that basis, we have refined the property list of Lots submitted by the previous proponents and are formally withdrawing 379 Lots from the ATS application.

We will be writing to the relevant landholders to advise that we do not require access to their property for survey works in the initial stage of the project. We will also update the map on our website that shows the Lots within the ATS application area.

Santos wants to build positive long-term relationships with all landholders along the proposed pipeline corridor. For those properties where we still require access for survey work, we hope we can reach voluntary access agreements and will only use an approved ATS as a last resort.



Next week we are holding drop-in information sessions for landholders and community members. Details about the information sessions are outlined in the attached flyer.

If you have any further questions or would like to discuss this further, please contact Todd Dunn on 0438 720 766.

Yours sincerely

Glenn Watto

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