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Dear Mr Palmer

**Acknowledgment of Request for Internal Review under
Section 54B of the Freedom Of Information Act 1982**

We refer to your email of 15 February 2015 in which you requested an internal review of our original decision, dated 11 February 2015 (**Original Decision**), on your request for access under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 (**FOI Act**) to:

- (a) *Copies of any communications between ASIC and any other Government departments, Agencies or individuals mentioning or concerning Metgasco's activities in PEL 16 (Metgasco is listed on the Australian Stock Exchange as MEL); and*
- (b) *Copies of all briefings, communications, forms, reports or notes mentioning Metgasco's activities in PEL16.*

We interpreted your request to be about the New South Wales Government's suspension of Metgasco Ltd's activity approval under PEL 16 and therefore searched for documents created after 14 May 2014.

Timing for response

We received your request for an internal review of our Original Decision on 15 February 2015. We must make our review decision within 30 days from the day after that date. You should therefore expect a decision from us by 17 March 2015.

The time frame may be extended if we need to consult third parties, or for other reasons, and we will write to you if this happens.

FOI disclosure log

Please note that information released under the FOI Act may later be published online on our disclosure log, subject to certain exceptions. For example, personal information will not be published where this would be unreasonable.

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Should you have any questions concerning the processing of your request please contact me by telephone on (02) 9911 2910 or email (Leigh.Coughlan@asic.gov.au).

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Coughlan', written in a cursive style.

Leigh Coughlan
Authorised Internal Review Decision-maker under section 54(1) of the FOI Act
For the Australian Securities and Investments Commission