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Graeme Newton  
Coordinator-General  
Director-General  
Department of Infrastructure and Planning  
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Dear Graeme

**Re: Coordinator-General's Change Report: Northern Pipeline Interconnector Stage 2 Project – waterway construction method at four crossings'**

In response to a letter dated 22 July 2010 from Colin Jensen then Coordinator-General Director-General advising conditional approval to this request subject to a final decision by the Coordinator-General or his delegate, I am writing to notify that LinkWater Projects will no longer seek to trench these four waterway crossings included in the Change Report Request: Paynter Creek Northern, Petrie Creek, Tuckers Creek and North Maroochy River. These four waterway crossings will revert back to tunnelled/piled crossings as per Coordinator-General Condition 5.

An early and exceptional wet season has required the Project to reevaluate the construction strategy necessary to complete this work. With the project experiencing a wetter than normal wet season, the risk profile has changed significantly, in that constructing these named creek crossings by trenching methods in the wet season is an unacceptable risk.

The other alternative would be to program the works for the period June to October 2011 to avoid the high risk wet season. This also has an unacceptable risk profile for the overall project delivery, in that a dry winter in 2011 is not a definite and leaving the crossings till then will leave gaps in the pipeline that prevent the movement of hydrostatic test water from one section to the next and ultimately delaying the entire commissioning program.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Peter McManamon", written over a large, faint circular stamp or watermark.

**Peter McManamon**  
Chief Executive Officer

cc : Sonya Booth , Project Manager, Significant Projects Coordination Branch, DIP