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UNC Modification Proposal 0583 – Requiring an Opening Meter Reading at same User Confirmation

Dear Bob,

Thank you for your invitation seeking representations with respect to the above Modification Proposal for which National Grid Gas Distribution (NGD) as proposer would like to support.

Do you support or oppose implementation?

Support

Please summarise (in one paragraph) the key reason(s) for your support/opposition:

The modification is required as it supports implementation of the UK Link Replacement programme (which incorporates the changes required for Project Nexus) by correcting an inconsistency between 0432 Legal Text and the Meter Read and Settlement BRD section 5.9.8. The modification will also ensure consistent processes for User Confirmations whether carried out by the same or different User.

Relevant Objectives:

- c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations
- d) Securing of effective competition:
 - (i) between relevant shippers;
 - (ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or
 - (iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers.

NGD concurs with the comments in the Draft Modification Report concerning the facilitation of these relevant objectives in that it would provide for consistent treatment of confirmation processes (C) and ensuring actual consumption information is provided against the relevant period (D).

Impacts and Costs:

We agree with the statement in the Draft Modification Report concerning the impact and funding of this Modification Proposal and we have no further comment in this respect.

Implementation:

We are in agreement with the implementation timescales identified within this Modification Proposal.

Legal Text:

NGD is satisfied that as provider, the legal text as published by the Joint Office within the Draft Modification Report meets the requirements of the Modification Proposal.

Views on errors or omissions in the Modification Report which should be taken into account:

We have not identified any such errors or omissions.

Additional analysis or information to support your representation:

Nothing further to add.

We trust that this information will assist in the compilation of the Final Modification Report. Please contact me on 01926 655299 (andy.clasper@nationalgrid.com) should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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