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## **LDZ Shrinkage Quantity Initial Proposals Formula Year 2009/10**

E.ON UK welcomes the initiatives described within National Grid's proposals in relation to leakage reduction. Apart from any cost consideration this clearly represents a positive contribution to the mitigation of climate change.

We assume that any steps taken to reduce pressures in the network will be taken with due consideration to avoiding any occurrences of nuisance shut down or other associated supply problems caused through instances of low pressure, particularly at industrial & commercial premises. Many of these premises operate plant and equipment that is highly sensitive to reductions in supply pressure. Historically transporters have taken necessary steps to rectify such occurrences in a timely manner.

Although only National Grid has included a section specifically relating to leakage reduction initiatives, we are assuming that other networks may have similar plans.

Alongside the pressure reduction programme, can National Grid and if appropriate the other DN's suggest how they may demonstrate to Users that consumers will not experience consequential low pressure problems. This may be via the provision of statistical information taken from reported low pressure incidents (and the resultant action taken to rectify them).

Notwithstanding we would wish to emphasise our general support for any initiatives taken to reduce shrinkage, particularly where this delivers significant environmental benefits.

Yours sincerely

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