John,

Thank you for giving SGN the opportunity to comment on modification 50 relating storage monitor adjustments.

SGN offers it's support to the modification.

SGN recognises that mod 50 will assist in increasing security of supplies.

SGN is concerned that this mod was raised as an urgent modification on 27September when most shippers have already put in place their gas supply strategies for the gas year ahead. As part of the Ofgem final report, SGN would appreciate an understanding of why this modification could not have been raised early in the year. The underpinning rational for the modification would appear to have been known for many months, and if an earlier modification had have been raised then a full consultation process could have been followed. In addition, the shippers would have had more time to cover their exposure to storage monitor adjustments.

Regards

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