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Your Reference 0087

Re: Modification Proposal 0087; Single Centralised On-line Gas Enquiry Service - Removal of redundant UNC provisions

Dear Julian,

Thank you for your invitation seeking representations with respect to the above Modification Proposal. As the initiator, National Grid supports its implementation.

We note that on 30th June 2006, Ofgem provided consent for Supply Point Administration Agreement (SPAA) Change Proposal *06/057:* 'Updated Mandatory Schedule and Requirements for Single Centralised Online Gas Enquiry Service (SCOGES) and other Supply Point Information Services'.

Given this event, we would like to confirm our view expressed within the Proposal that dual governance does not promote an efficient and economic operating model. In this respect it is appropriate to seek removal of specific Uniform Network Code (UNC) terms to accommodate provision of relevant Supply Point Information services within the SPAA.

We note that exclusion of provisions from the UNC does not affect obligations incumbent on Transporters to provide relevant Supply Point Information to Users in accordance with Standard Special Condition A31 of the Gas Transporters Licence.

Our opinion is that this measure could therefore be expected to promote efficiency in the implementation and administration of the UNC.

We would like to reiterate our position stated within the Modification Proposal that the relevant provisions relating to the Supply Point Information Service should only be removed from the UNC upon implementation of the SPAA Change Proposal 06/057. We understand that following discussion within the July 2006 meeting of the UK-Link Committee, this work is programmed for November 2006.



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If you require any further information in respect of this representation please contact Chris Warner on 07778 150668 or email chris.warner@uk.ngrid.com.

Yours sincerely

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