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Dear Julian,

Re: Modification Proposal 0123: Provision of Demand Information to meet the 14:00 Total System Demand Forecast

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above modification proposal. Statoil (UK) Ltd (STUK) is in support of this modification and would like to make the following comments.

Whilst supporting the improvement in the delivery of market information, STUK did not support the implementation of modification 0100: Amendment to OPN/SFN submissions times. STUK believe that the implementation of mod 0100 would prove detrimental to the quality of forecasting information available to the transporters, creating the potential for very inaccurate D-1 14:00 Total Demand Forecasts that would mislead the market and therefore impact on the efficient and economic operation of the pipeline system.

Modification 0123: Provision of Demand information to meet the 14:00 Total System Demand Forecast, proposes that NExA and SCA exit points provide a predicted end of day offtake to the transporter by 12:00 D-1. STUK agree with the proposer that the hour bar information is not required at this stage and by using aggregated end of day flows the NTS would be able to meet its 14:00 forecast, without degrading the quality of the information submitted to the transporters, reducing some of the impacts identified with the implementation of mod 0100.

NExA and SCA exit points providing a 12.00 D-1 end of day forecast is a more efficient means for the NTS to collect the data needed for the 14.00 Total System Demand Forecast and at a minimum cost to the information providers, resulting in improved forecasts (compared with those potentially available under mod 0100) and improving the efficient and economic operation of the pipeline system.

STUK trust that our comments will be given due consideration and should you wish to discuss any aspect of this response further please contact me on the above number.

Yours faithfully

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