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Dear Julian,

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Secretary, Modification Panel

<u>RE: Modification Proposal 0172: "Transporter obligations pertaining to void and vacant sites"</u>

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal.

British Gas Trading fully supports the intention of this proposal, that transporters should be obliged to inform the relevant User where it has disconnected a gas supply, and must do so within a period of ten business days.

We also believe that the Transporter should be required to pass on to the relevant User information where the Transporter becomes aware of a supply disconnection which the Transporter itself has not undertaken, for example an illegal demolition of a vacant site. However, it is not clear to us that this proposal is also intended to achieve this.

We agree with the proposer that this would help to secure effective competition between relevant Users through better cost targeting.

Should you have any queries with regard to this response please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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