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Dear Julian,

**Modification Proposal 0174**

Thank you for providing Scottish and Southern Energy plc (SSE) with the opportunity to comment on the above modification proposal.

SSE is supportive of modification 0174.

Under the proposal it is anticipated that the schedule for 2008 annual tender for interruptible rights would be:

May 1 Publish Interruption requirements  
June 2 Bid Window opens  
June 12 Bid Window closes  
End July Notification of tender results  
End July Submit NTS Exit Capacity Request

SSE agrees that implementation of this Proposal would better enable DNOs to determine the interruption and capacity requirements that they need to meet their 1 in 20 licence obligation. This would allow the DNOs to make informed decisions about investment in their networks and hence could better facilitate the efficient and economic operation of the DNs and help minimise costs to customers.

Yours sincerely

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