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Modification Proposal 0259
‘Removal of Obligations to Install UK Link User Equipment and UK Link User Software for UK Link Users who utilise the services of an UK Link User Agent ’

Dear John,

Thank you for your invitation seeking representations with respect to the above Modification Proposal.

National Grid Transmission supports this Modification Proposal.

We agree with the proposer that this proposal would remove the obligation on Transporters to provide UK Link Equipment and UK Link Software that is not required at Applicant Users’ premises. We agree that this should result in a reduction in the annual expenditure for the provision and annual support of this equipment, and therefore is more economic and efficient.

We fully support the confirmation made in the proposal that where a User terminates their contract with a User Agent in line with UNC TPD V6.3.3, it would be a requirement for a User to install UK Link equipment in accordance with UNC TPD V2.1.2 (d) (i). The proposal also indicates that should this event occur then an XP1 token can be obtained to allow Users to access Gemini for trading purposes until the UK Link equipment is installed. Together these points of clarification have enabled us to be assured that there will be no adverse impacts from the implementation of the proposal.

Although National Grid Transmission acknowledge that there are no costs associated with the implementation of this Modification Proposal, we believe that as this proposal relates to a change in the service offered by xoserve it should have been raised as a User Pays Modification Proposal and followed the UNC Modification rules implemented as part of Modification Proposal 0213: “Introduction of User Pays Governance Arrangements into the UNC”.

Please let me know if you require any further information to enable preparation of the Final Modification Report.

Yours sincerely

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