Dear Tim,

Modification Proposal 275: Reduction in DM LDZ Exit Capacity for Supply Points with Significant Changes in Usage

The British Ceramic Confederation (BCC) is the trade association for the UK Ceramic Manufacturing Industry, representing the common and collective interests of all sectors of the Industry. Its 100 member companies cover the full spectrum of materials, plant and machinery, and comprise over 90% of the Industry's manufacturing capacity.

Membership of the Confederation includes manufacturers from the following industry sectors:-

Gift and Tableware

Floor and Wall Tiles
Sanitaryware

Bricks

Clay Roof Tiles

Clay Pipes

Refractories

Industrial Ceramics
Material Suppliers

Plant and Machinery

The industry is energy-intensive: energy bills / taxes can be up to 30-35% of total production costs.

I am writing to support National Grid's proposed modification and urge its speedy implementation. Many of our members have indicated that they need options to manage gas capacity charges in these times of reduced market demand for their products. This modification would help give them choices about how they control costs in these challenging times.

Many thanks for the opportunity to voice support here. With kind regards,

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