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Modification Proposal 0290: To facilitate the release of Additional NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity at National Grid NTS's discretion

Dear Bob.

We welcome the opportunity to comment on this modification proposal. This response is provided on behalf of RWE npower and RWE Supply and Trading GmbH. We support implementation of Modification Proposal 0290.

We agree with the Proposer that implementation would better facilitate the relevant objectives as set out in the Modification Proposal and in particular will maximise the availability of NTS capacity.

However, we do not agree that this is a User Pays Proposal and believe that these proposed changes result from Exit Reform and that any costs must be met by National Grid, rather than shared between shippers and National Grid as proposed.

We hope these views are helpful and would be happy to discuss matters further.

Yours sincerely

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