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UNC Modification Proposal 0603 – Removal of liability for members of Performance Assurance <u>Committee</u>

Dear Bob,

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Thank you for your invitation seeking representations with respect to the above Modification Proposal for which National Grid Gas Distribution (NGGD) would like to support.

Do you support or oppose implementation?

Your Reference: UNC Modification Proposal 0603

Support

Please summarise (in one paragraph) the key reason(s) for your support/opposition:

Members of the Performance Assurance Committee (PAC) have been appointed to represent Users on the basis as stated in General Terms 4.3.6 "having regard to the contribution which they may as individuals make to the business of the Sub-committee and not to the Users by whom they are employed or engaged" and indeed Members have also provided individually signed statements to the Joint Office confirming the capacity they will be acting in. The modification if implemented would afford a degree of liability protection to PAC sub-committee members which is currently afforded to members of the Energy Balancing Credit Committee (EBCC) sub-committee. Having this protection will allow members to take decisions to the benefit of the industry as a whole without worrying of potential exposure to liabilities.

Relevant Objectives:

f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code:

NGGD concurs with the comments in the Draft Modification Report concerning the facilitation of the relevant objective.

Impacts and Costs:

We agree with the statement in the Draft Modification Report concerning the funding of this Modification Proposal and we have no further comment in this respect.

Implementation:

We are in agreement with the implementation timescales identified within this Modification Proposal.

Legal Text:

NGGD is satisfied that the legal text as published by the Joint Office within the Draft Modification Report meets the requirements of the Modification Proposal.

Views on errors or omissions in the Modification Report which should be taken into account:

We have not identified any such errors or omissions.

Additional analysis or information to support your representation:

We have nothing further to add.

We trust that this information will assist in the compilation of the Final Modification Report. Please contact me on 01926 655299 (andy.clasper@nationalgrid.com) should you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Clasper National Grid Distribution