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Our Ref: Net/Cod/Mod/UNC092
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Dear Colleague,

Request for urgent status for modification proposal UNC092: 'Provision of a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Smaller Supply Points'.

Following consideration of the request from Corona Energy that its modification proposal 092 '*Provision of a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Smaller Supply Points*' follow urgent modification procedures, Ofgem has today agreed to that request.

The [modification proposal](#)¹ seeks to require xoserve, via a UNC obligation upon the relevant Gas Transporters, to release data in relation to Small Supply Points in line with prevailing arrangements under the electronic enquiry service for Large Supply Points and new Small Supply Points.

In reaching its decision on granting urgent status, Ofgem has considered the details contained within the modification proposal, including the proposer's justification for urgency. Ofgem considers that this proposal satisfies the criteria for granting urgent status to a modification proposal, as set out in its published guidelines². In particular, Ofgem has noted the proposer's assertion that if this proposal is implemented the additional information, which shippers have previously had access to, would allow for more accurate quotes for gas supply contracts, typically commencing with the start of the next Gas Year on 1 October 2006. The relative accuracy of these quotes may have a significant and ongoing commercial impact upon both shippers and affected consumers, and indeed could make the difference between winning a contract and not.

In accepting this request for urgency, Ofgem has made no assessment of the merits of the modification proposal and nothing in this letter in any way fetters the discretion of the Authority in respect of this modification proposal.

Urgency Timetable

The granting of urgent status and adherence to the timetable below would ensure that the proposal is in a position to be decided upon and if appropriate implemented

¹www.ofgem.gov.uk/temp/ofgem/cache/cmsattach/15695_092ModProposal.pdf?wtfrom=/ofgem/work/ind ex.jsp§ion=/areasofwork/gasgovernance

²www.ofgem.gov.uk/temp/ofgem/cache/cmsattach/11700_Urgency_Criteria.pdf

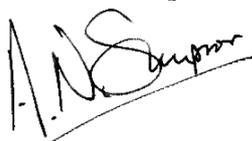
sufficiently ahead of the 2006/07 gas year for the additional information to be utilised in contract discussions. Ofgem has therefore agreed to the proposer's suggested timetable as follows:

Submit proposal to Ofgem for urgency	10/07/06
Ofgem grant urgent status	11/07/06
Proposal issued for consultation	12/07/06
Closeout for representations	19/07/06
Final Modification Report to the panel	26/07/06
Modification panel recommendation	03/08/06
Ofgem decision expected week commencing	07/08/06
Implementation date (subject to Ofgem's decision)	14/08/06

This timetable also assumes that the panel will be able to convene following the transmission workstream of 03 August 2006 in order to provide a recommendation. Ofgem hopes this can be achieved.

If you have any queries in relation to the issues raised in this letter, please feel free to email modifications@ofgem.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,



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