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Re: UNC Modification Proposal 0258 "Facilitating the Use of Remote Meter Reading Equipment for the Purposes of Demand Estimation Forecasting Techniques & 258A "Facilitating the Use of Remote Meter Reading Equipment and the Procurement of Data from a Third Party for the Purposes of Demand Estimation Forecasting Techniques"

Dear John

Thank you for the opportunity to comment upon these Modification Proposals. I can confirm that we (WWU) are **supportive of both** Modification Proposals and have a preference for the implementation of the alternative Modification Proposal 0258A.

Both Modification Proposals clearly set out the benefits that implementation would bring and we have nothing further to add in way of justification for them.

We would like to take the opportunity to point out that a draft version of the alternative Modification Proposal was discussed at both the Demand Estimation Sub-Committee meeting, and the Distribution Workstream, prior to it being officially raised on 17th September 2009.

We have not been made aware of any material issues that implementation of Modification Proposal 0258A would cause. The feedback from industry participants has been very positive and hopefully this will be evident in representations.

If anyone has any questions relating to either this Representation or Modification Proposal 0258 then please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Yours sincerely

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