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Subject: RE: Industry Change Programme Delivery Options Paper Queries

Sandra, a quick note of support with respect of your favoured option in the paper.

We agree that option 2B offers least implementation risk.

Our view is that uncoupling the Gemini and UK-Link timescales but retaining a phased approach as proposed under option 2B ensures:

- Less delivery risk to shippers – “bite-size”
- Less delivery risk to the programme overall
- Gemini changes to be delivered in line with regulatory deadlines
- The potential for a phased approach to remaining UK-Link changes

In addition it is important for the programme to consider the proposed approach of a hard cutover if some or all shippers are not ready on go-live. Xoserve’s engagement programme and the industry implementation group should prepare contingency arrangements so as not to adversely affect competition or harm customer interests as a result of the implementation of Project Nexus.

Please could you add my colleague Mike Fensome (cc’d) to the distribution list as Mike will be taking a lead on project management for GDF SUEZ solutions. Mike will attend the 3 March meeting.

Best Regards, Phil.

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