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Dear Julian,

Modification Proposal 0017 - "Amendments to the provisions governing failure to obtain readings"

Total Gas & Power Limited (TGP) supports the above modification.

The modification is a pragmatic solution to an increasingly significant issue and as such we welcome this attempt to introduce a more flexible regime with regard to must read provisions.

The extension of the must read deadline to the 80th business day is a realistic deadline in light of the increasing problems with mismatches in meter details since the introduction of RGMA. This modification only addresses the symptoms, and not the cause, of the deterioration in data quality however.

This modification will help reduce the burden on transporters (as well as the costs to suppliers), but a more fundamental review of the current metering arrangements is required in our view. If this is not undertaken then we anticipate similar modifications being raised to fix other data quality issues caused by the introduction of metering competition.

Should you wish to discuss our response further, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

(This message is sent electronically and is therefore not signed)

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