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Dear Julian

Re: Modification Proposal 0021: Revision of the Emergency Cash-Out arrangements

Northern Gas Networks are supportive of any proposal that seeks to reduce the risk of a Gas Supply Deficit emergency (GDE). Similarly, by associating a title trade with Emergency Interruption there appears to be an increased likelihood of appropriate cost targeting than under the prevailing UNC arrangements.

The enhanced reporting requirements from Interruption Manager, are as stipulated not unduly cost prohibitive, since the information required whilst not currently provided, is available within the systems requirements. Such necessary reporting should be available by 1st October 2005, providing implementation of this proposal is positively communicated in the next four weeks.

This proposal is therefore supported by Northern Gas Networks.

Yours sincerely

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