

Representation For. 0069

"Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at
Bacton "
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Abstract

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Dear Julian,

Modification Proposal 0069 'Amendment of Network Entry Provisions at the European Interconnector sub-terminal at Bacton'

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above consultation. Gas quality requirements are of great importance in the UK as it becomes increasingly dependant on imported gas supplies. As such Statoil (UK) Limited (STUK), are in support of this proposal and would like to make the following comments.

The current GB legislative limits allow European gas sources to enter the UK but the sources are limited by the restrictions imposed by the IUK Interconnection Agreement. Given the current concerns over security of supply in the UK, STUK agree that the gas quality specification at the European Interconnector sub-terminal should be aligned with the gas quality specification contained in the GS(M)R to ensure that the number of sources of gas that can flow into the UK can be maximised.

STUK agree that this proposal would better facilitate the relevant objectives by increasing the number of gas sources available to the UK, increasing competition and enhancing security of supply.

STUK trust that our comments will be given due consideration and should you wish to discuss any aspect of this response further please contact me on the above number.

Yours sincerely

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