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Dear Julian,

Re: Modification Proposal 0091: Extending Uniform Network Code to allow Users to raise Class 3 UK Link Modification proposals.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above modification proposal. Statoil (UK) Ltd (STUK) is in support of this modification and would like to make the following comments.

The current UK Link change process allows only a transporter to raise a class 3 change even if there is agreement between Users as to how costs will be recovered. The implementation of this modification will allow a level playing field to all UK Link users allowing transporters and Users to propose class 3 changes.

STUK agree with the proposer that the implementation of this proposal would better facilitate the relevant objectives in the Transporters licence as they relate to the securing of effective competition between shippers and suppliers. This proposal will allow changes to be made to UK Link by transporters and users and enable all class 3 changes to be progressed smoothly through the change process, especially those changes that are of little interest to the transporters or where the costs of making the changes cannot be covered by UK Link Users.

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 faithfully

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