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Dear Julian,

Re: Modification Proposal 0093: Amendment of Interconnector UK's Meter Flow Rates

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 Winter Outlook consultation 2006/07 highlights the emphasis placed on reliable imports for this winter as it is not clear if the supply and demand balance for this winter will be tighter than last. The importation capacity expansion that is due to take place later this year at Interconnector UK Ltd is an example of one of four key projects planned to enhance security of supply to the UK. It is important that the IUK Interconnection Agreement is updated to reflect these changes to ensure that the delivery of additional flows to the UK is not hindered.

STUK agrees with the proposer that the implementation of this modification, enabling the Interconnection Agreements to be amended to facilitate the increase in importation capacity at the Interconnector, will further the relevant objective by better facilitating the securing of effective competition between shippers and suppliers and better facilitate the efficient and economic operation of the pipeline system.

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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