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Re: Modification Proposal 0132: 'Clarification of Supply Point Confirmation Notice Requirements for Certain Special Metering Supply Points'

Dear Julian,

Thank you for your invitation seeking representations with respect to the above Modification Proposal.

As the initiator of the proposal National Grid (Distribution) supports its implementation. The existing wording of section G2.5.8(c) gives rise to confusion in apparently requiring a two month notice period for all Supply Point Confirmations submitted via the Information eXchange which is the communication method for the vast majority of such transactions. This minimum notice period requirement conflicts with the equivalent notice period requirements detailed elsewhere within section G2.5.8.

Following a comprehensive review of the evolution of G2.5.8(c) and the Modifications that introduced this section, it became clear that the two month notice period requirement is only required where the Supply Point Administration functions of a Supply Point are transferred to or from UK Link. Administration 'offline' is required due to the specific characteristics and requirements of 'Unique Sites' (termed Special Metering Supply Points). The two month notice period is required to afford the necessary time to carry out the relevant transactions and ensure that any transition from UK Link to 'offline' (or vice versa) is seamless with no overlap.

We trust these comments will be useful for compilation of the Final Modification Report.

Please contact Chris Warner on 01926 653541 (chris.warner@uk.ngrid.com) should you require any further information with respect to the above.

Yours sincerely

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