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Dear Julian,

RE: Modification Proposal 0184: "Requirement for partial non-business days for the purposes of the UK Link technology refresh (UKLTR) project"

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. British Gas Trading offers qualified support for this proposal.

As a customer of the Transporters, via their agent xoserve, British Gas Trading would prefer that changes to the technology underpinning xoserve's business were seamless and did not impinge in any way upon the activities of Users. That said, we are reassured that xoserve has explored all options and that it has no choice but to suspend certain functionality from Users for a period of time, and that this period of time is to be kept to an absolute minimum.

In terms of achievement of relevant objectives, this proposal would tend to better facilitate the promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the network code by ensuring that when the UK Link system is taken offline as proposed, the Transporters are not in breach of the UNC.

Should you have any queries with regard to this response please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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