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Dear Tim

EDF Energy Response to UNC Modification Proposal 0184: "Requirement for Partial Non-Business Days for the Purposes of the UK Link Technology Refresh (UKLTR) Project."

EDF Energy welcomes the opportunity to respond to this modification proposal. We support the implementation of this proposal.

We believe that this proposal is a significant improvement on modification proposal 0179 as it minimises the impact of UKLTR on Shippers. Essentially for Shipper processes the arrangements will be the same as for any normal day, and so the implications will be minimal. We therefore believe that this is an effective solution that minimises the industry impact whilst ensuring that the UK Link system should continue to operate effectively until refresh.

However we would like to take the opportunity to note our concerns regarding the UKLTR Project. Whilst we recognise that this is not part of the proposal, Shipper concern over this proposal in workstreams has focused on the issue of contingency arrangements were UK Link not to be reinstated as expected. We would therefore like to take this opportunity to seek assurances from Transporters and xoserve that all precautions have been taken to ensure that UK Link is reinstated as expected. In particular we would expect xoserve to ensure that they are able to revert to the current software if any new software failed, and ensure adequate contingency arrangements are in place.

I hope you find these comments useful, however please contact me should you wish to discuss these in greater detail.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stefan Leedham'.

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