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Dear John,

RE: Modification Proposal 0234 "To Correct Drafting Inconsistencies between Sections X and V of the UNC in Respect of User Default and Termination"

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposal. British Gas supports its implementation.

Recent economic turmoil has necessitated close scrutiny of UNC matters relating to energy balancing, and the rules in place which set out the rights and obligations on parties, and the rules in place to govern energy balancing matters.

As a result of that increased scrutiny, it has come to light that inconsistencies have crept into the UNC in respect of the drafting contained within sections X and V. We are grateful to the EBCC for its diligence in identifying these inconsistencies, and in helping to develop this proposal (one of three stand-alone proposal being brought forward at this time) in order to remedy the situation.

By remedying these inconsistencies, this proposal will better facilitate the promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the network code; it is clearly beneficial to all UNC parties to have a single, concise and non-contradictory reference for matters relating to energy balancing. We also agree with the proposer that to the extent that this proposal assists in preventing energy balancing costs being apportioned amongst Shippers – as a result of uncertainty around the correct handling of a Shipper failure, this proposal will better facilitate competition between relevant Shippers.

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

Yours sincerely,

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