

Representations expressing views on the Variation Request were received from the following parties:

Organisation	Response	Relevant Objectives	Key Points
National Grid Distribution	Support	f) - positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider it necessary to raise a variation to this Urgent Modification Proposal (including amendment of the legal text) as they had noted a number of errors in the Solution section of the Proposal that impacted on the legal text. They do not consider these to be material.
National Grid NTS	Support	f) - positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is satisfied that the amended legal text delivers the intent of the Modification.
Northern Gas Networks	Support	f) - positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does not consider the Variation requested during the consultation phase is material in nature.
ScottishPower	Qualified Support	f) - positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In reviewing the modification Variation Request the potential for a request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act to subsequently come into the public domain remains an issue, although it is somewhat mitigated by the retention limitations suggested (3 months) this still remains a risk.
Scotland & Southern Gas Networks	Support	f) - positive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are of the view that the changes identified within the Variation Request are not material in nature, as they serve to add further clarity whilst not altering the intent of the modification. Therefore, the modification should proceed along the previously agree timescales.

SSE	Oppose	f) - negative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider that ‘in flight’ variations during the consultation period of an urgent modification are unacceptable and have made the assessment of the modification extremely challenging and would recommend that the UNCC review the modification rules to avoid this type of confusion in the future. • Notes that the varied legal text of clause 9.2.1 (a) adds “<i>without reference to or involvement of the Transporters or the Transporter Agency</i>”. The affect of this addition would mean that the Transporters and their Agent would have no obligation to provide even background information on the UK Link Programme to the “Relevant Agency”. • Is concerned that the definition of “UK Link Programme” includes reference to UNC Modification 0440 which has yet to be approved by the Authority.
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