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Dear Lisa,

Re: Network Code Modification Proposal 003 – Changes required for the Northern Ireland European Development Project

Thank you for submitting the modification report for code modification 003 as required under the Code Modification Rules. We have reviewed the modification report and the two responses received during the consultation period.

The changes proposed include:

- Change in Gas Day start time to 5:00am from the current 6:00am
- Pass through of charges associated with the Exit Capacity Ratchet mechanism to be applied at transmission exit points
- Changes in nomination submission requirements and Renomination effective times

The proposed change will ensure consistency and transparency for shippers who utilize both the high and low pressure networks in Northern Ireland.

We note the support of both respondents for the change in gas day time and the change in nomination submission requirements and renomination effective times. In relation to the changes related to the exit capacity ratchet, we note that one respondent did not raise any issues with the proposal. The other response made a number of comments related to the ratchet mechanism and we note Firmus' response to these.

This Code Mod 003 is approved, as of today's date. The modification is scheduled to be included in the Network Code from 1 October 2015 with the exception of the change in gas day start time which will be included in the code as set out in section P, paragraph 11 (Transitional Arrangements for the Implementation of the Change in the Definition of a Day).

Yours sincerely



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Compliance and Network Operations Director