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## **Review of the Gas and Electricity Application Regulations**

Dear Mr Fews

I refer to the letter dated 02 October 2002 from Callum McCarthy in respect of the above and the accompanying consultation document.

I note that you are proposing to reduce the amount of information which has to be submitted to OFGEM by applicants when making an application for an electricity distribution licence. In particular this includes dropping the present requirement for applicants to submit details to you of how they intend to operate their system safely

As requested I confirm that the proposal to drop the requirement for applicants to provide you with details of how they intend to operate their system safely, and instead to rely on the revised provisions outlined in paragraphs 6.20 to 6.23 in the supplement to the consultation document, would not have any implications on the ability of the Engineering Inspectorate at the DTI to carry out its functions. We are therefore content with the safety related aspects in the consultation document.

Yours sincerely

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