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Dear Ms Brown

Consultation on an application by INEOS Enterprises Limited for an exemption under section 19A(5) of the Gas Act 1986 from section 19B of the Gas Act 1986

energywatch welcomes the opportunity to consider the issues raised by this consultation.

We have considered the issues raised by INEOS Enterprises Limited's exemption application carefully. energywatch supports changes to the regulatory regime or exemptions where they encourage the development of storage facilities without distorting competition in the gas supply market. We have no comments on the technical aspects of this application.

Going forward, we will continue to keep applications such as these under review as and when they are raised, always considering the possible impact on consumers.

We would appreciate being kept informed of the progress of the consultation and any related issues to enable us to comment as the need arises.

If you do wish to discuss our response further please do not hesitate to contact me on 0191 2212072.

Yours sincerely

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