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cc: Mike Boxall, Simon Brooke,  
Frank Welsh (by email only)

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Modification Proposal to the Connection Charging Methodology: Introduction of asset adoption payments – intention to consult**

On 14 August 2007, United Utilities (UU) submitted to the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the 'Authority') a proposal, reference UU/2008/002.1 to modify their connection charging methodology.

The proposal modifies the connection charging methodology statement to introduce payments for the adoption of connection assets.

Having carefully considered the issues raised in the proposal, the Authority has decided, in accordance with Standard licence condition (SLC) 4B(12), to consult with the industry on the proposed modification.

In accordance with SLC 4B(12) we are therefore notifying you of our intention to consult on this matter. We expect to subsequently consult with the industry from mid-August through to the end of September.

Please contact Cherie Davis on 0207 901 7210 if you have any queries in relation to the issues raised in this letter.

Yours sincerely,

**Martin Crouch**  
**Director, Distribution**

Signed on behalf of the Authority and authorised for that purpose by the Authority