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To:

Gas Distribution Network owners,
Gas Transporters, Gas Shippers,
Gas Suppliers and other
interested parties

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Dear Sir / Madam

GDPCR Updated Proposals

Carriage of carbon monoxide (CO) in air measuring equipment
by Emergency Service Providers (ESPs)

We published our Gas Distribution Price Control Review Updated Proposals on 24th September 2007. In this document we identified that on the issue of carbon monoxide, we had received a wide range of responses and our studies had been inconclusive for a number of reasons. We considered that further assessment of whether ESPs should carry CO in air measuring equipment is needed to enable us to decide on the best way forward.

We therefore proposed that we hold an industry workshop on this issue soon after our Updated Proposals were published. These arrangements have now been made and we would welcome the attendance of interested parties.

We intend to hold this CO workshop on Thursday 18th October 2007 at

Ofgem's offices, 9 Millbank, London SW1P 3GE.

The workshop will commence at 10 am and we anticipate it will run for approx 2 -3 hrs. A buffet lunch will be provided.

The purpose of the workshop is to seek to discuss with all parties what we are considering on this issue and their likely consequences and also to consider and review other industry proposals to raise the awareness of the dangers of carbon monoxide. This will then assist us, along with other consideration of Updated Proposal responses, to formulate our position for Final Proposals.

We anticipate this workshop will be attended by the HSE and GDNs. It may also be of interest to other GTs, Shippers, Suppliers and any other interested parties who have responded on this issue in our Initial Proposals. A list of organisations to which this letter has been circulated is attached.

If you wish to attend this workshop, please contact either:

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Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Branton', written over a light grey rectangular background.

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Carbon Monoxide awareness workshop
18th October 2007

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National Grid Gas Distribution
Northern Gas Networks
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Gas Trans
Mowlem
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