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Dear Stuart,

**Informal Consultation on National Grid Gas's National Transmission System (NTS)
Gas Transporter licence condition with respect to Entry Capacity Substitution**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the above consultation. We welcome the changes proposed, that they help clarify the intent of the licence condition. We have no suggested changes nor are we aware of any omissions.

As an aside, we are aware that EoN have written to you separately, to express their disappointment with the fact that National Grid are proposing to present only the "Option" approach to Substitution, and have discarded the "Two-stage auction". We too would like to express our disappointment in National Grid's proposed way forward at this stage of the process.

Yours sincerely

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