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Dear Ben,

Re: Statement of Procedures for NTS Network Model Updates

On the 17 March 2011 National Grid Gas (NGG) submitted its Network Model Review Report to the Authority together with the "Statement of Procedures for NTS Network Model Updates". Special Condition C24 paragraph 7 indicates that our approval for the Network Model Review Report is only required where there are material revisions to the model proposed which is not the case in this instance.

Special Condition C24 paragraph 12 identifies that all revisions to the Statement of Procedures require the approval of the Authority. We note that the Statement of Procedures has minor changes to section 1.3. These reflect the adoption of guidelines set out in IGE/GL/2 Edition 2 which supersede IGE/GL/2. It is accepted that these changes will assist in ensuring that the network model objectives are achieved.

Ofgem's Decision

Following consideration of the documentation provided and having regard to the Authority's principle objective and statutory duties and for the reasons set out above, we have decided to approve the Statement of Procedures submitted by NGG on 17 March 2011 pursuant to Special Condition C24.

Hannah Nixon

Partner, Transmission