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Dear David

**Consultation on the addition of new National Transmission System exit points to National Grid Gas Transmission's gas transporter licence ("the licence") and their categorisation.**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your statutory consultation, pursuant to section 23(2) of the Gas Act 1986. In response to our request, your consultation proposes the addition of two new Offtake Points to table 8 in Part F of Special Condition 5G of the licence, these being "Air Products (Teesside)" and "Fordoun CNG Station". Your consultation also proposes that these new Offtake Points should not be classified as relevant points under the EU Gas Regulation EC No 715/2009.

This response is made on behalf of National Grid Gas' Transmission business (NGG). Our role as the owner and operator of the GB Gas Transmission System is to ensure the safe, economic and efficient development, operation and maintenance of the National Transmission System.

**Changes to the licence**

As requested by NGG on the 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2015, we support the proposed addition of two new Offtake Points to table 8 in Part F of Special Condition 5G of the licence as detailed below:

Offtake Point	Type of Offtake	Enduring flat Baseline (GWh/d)
Air Products (Teesside)	Direct Connect (DC)	0
Fordoun CNG Station	Direct Connect (DC)	0

**Designation as "relevant points"**

Under Article 18(4) of Gas Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, the relevant points of a transmission system on which the information is to be made public shall be approved by OFGEM after consultation with network users.

Paragraph 3.2(1)(a) of Chapter 3 of Annex I to Gas Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 provides that exit points connected to a single final customer are excluded from the definition of relevant points. It is our understanding that both Air Products (Teesside) and Fordoun CNG station are connected to a single final customer and therefore support your proposal that they should be excluded from the definition of relevant points.

Should Ofgem wish to discuss any of the points raised in this response please contact Mike Wassell at [mike.j.wassell@nationalgrid.com](mailto:mike.j.wassell@nationalgrid.com) (01926 654167).

Yours sincerely



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