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Entry Capacity Transfer and Trade Methodology Statement Consultation Conclusions Report

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Introduction

Special Condition C8D paragraphs 11 and 12 of National Grid Gas plc's Gas Transporter Licence in respect of the NTS (the "Licence") sets out obligations to prepare and submit for approval by the Authority entry capacity transfer and entry capacity trade methodology statements setting out the methodologies that the licensee "National Grid" will use to facilitate entry capacity transfers and entry capacity trades. National Grid considers that it is appropriate to prepare a single document to meet these obligations.

UNC Modification 0187A was implemented in June 2008 introducing the Enduring Rolling Monthly Transfer and Trade System Entry Capacity Auction (RMTTSEC), accommodating transfer and trade of firm entry capacity between ASEPs. The existing methodology statement (v2.0) supports the Licence and UNC in defining the methodology for determining entry capacity transfer and trade.

National Grid is also obliged, under the Licence, to review the methodology statement at least once a year in consultation with relevant Shippers and interested parties.

National Grid believes that the Entry Capacity Transfer and Trade Methodology has been working successfully, hence, having reviewed the methodology statement National Grid has not proposed any material changes. Some minor updates, and simplifications, including updating of the Indicative Demand Levels in Appendix 1 have been made.

On 17^{rth}April 2009 National Grid initiated its consultation on the Entry Capacity Transfer and Trade Methodology Statement with responses to be made by 15th May 2009.

This document sets out National Grid's conclusions on its consultation on the proposed Entry Capacity Transfer and Trade Methodology Statement. It provides a summary of the representations received, National Grid's response and an indication of whether changes have been made to the proposed statement.

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Responses

Representations were received from the one respondent listed below. British Gas Trading Ltd (BGT)

The respondent agrees that the methodology statement should remain unchanged for the time being.

Detailed comments from respondent and National Grid's response to these comments are provided in the following table.

Party	Issue	Response Quotes	National Grid Response	Proposed changes
1 - General				
BGT		It is evident from reading the document, and indeed from discussions at Transmission workstream, that National Grid proposes to leave the methodology essentially unchanged other than minor textual changes within the document. We agree that the Trade and Transfer process has appeared to work effectively under the current methodology, and therefore believe that it is fit for purpose and should remain unaltered for the time being.	Noted	None

Summary

Based on feedback received, National Grid is proposing no further changes to the Entry Capacity Trade and Transfer Methodology Statement. Therefore National Grid is submitting for approval by the Authority, the methodology statement as was consulted on.

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