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Dear Colleague,

**Transmission Planning Code Consultation 2019**

National Grid Gas plc is undertaking a review of its Transmission Planning Code (TPC) pursuant to Special Condition 7B of its Gas Transporter Licence in respect of the National Transmission System (NTS). We have an obligation to review the TPC periodically (at least once every 2 years). We also have an obligation to consult externally on the TPC, and this letter serves notice of the commencement of the TPC consultation.

By way of background, the TPC covers three licence requirements, namely:

1. to provide a description of the main material technical factors that affect the planning and development of the NTS
2. to outline a methodology to determine the physical capability of the NTS
3. to outline our assumptions on likely developments in the patterns and levels of gas supply and demand on the NTS, and assumptions as to the operation of the NTS under different gas supply and demand scenarios.

Due to changes made to the original posted version of the 2019 TPC we feel it appropriate to give our stakeholders an opportunity to review the amended document. We are keen to get your feedback on the revised draft document, which is available on the following link.

<https://www.nationalgridgas.com/document/128221/download>

This edition of the TPC mainly reflect changes to pieces of legislations and an update of the data used in the analyses since the last edition. To assist you in reviewing the TPC we have also published a document that compares the draft 2019 version with the approved 2017 version. This may be found at: <https://www.nationalgridgas.com/charging>

The consultation will close at 23:59hrs on Tuesday, 17th December 2019. Responses can be sent by e-mail to orlando.elmhirst@nationalgrid.com (please request a “read receipt” to confirm delivery) or by post to:

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Please mark your response as “Confidential” if you do not wish your it to be published.

If you have any queries on the TPC or this consultation, then you can contact me on 07976 912421.

Yours sincerely,

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