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Dear Paddy,

RE : Moffat – PTL Tripartite Agreement Amendments

Thank you for your submission, on 27 January 2021, of the proposed changes to Annex B of the Tripartite Agreement between Premier Transmission Limited (PTL), GNI (UK) Limited (GNI (UK)) and National Grid Gas plc (NGG). This submission was complemented, on 8 March 2021, by submission of an updated version to correct three cross-reference errors.

It is understood that the amendments are proposed in the context of a similar proposed amendments to the Tripartite Agreement between Gas Networks Ireland (GNI), GNI (UK) and NGG designed to improve the quality of information exchanged between the transporters. In particular, it is intended to facilitate a more accurate representation of End of Day quantities earlier in the Gas Day, and to thus assist the transporters in matching entry flows to exit demands and alleviating within day shortfalls.

It is furthermore understood that at present PTL does not observe such within day shortfall issues on a persistent basis. However, it is considered prudent to make the proposed amendments to the Tripartite Agreement between PTL, GNI (UK) and NGG. This will provide for more flexibility should such issues materialise to a level where there are operational impacts on the NI (Northern Ireland) Network. PTL has also identified other operational scenarios where the new provisions will assist in

managing the NI Network, for example, when an IT issue affects the matching of nominations for the Moffat Interconnection Point.

We note that the proposed changes to Annex B of the Tripartite Agreement between PTL, GNI (UK) and NGG have been consulted on with Shippers in Northern Ireland, and understand that no responses have been received.

We have engaged with both Ofgem (Office of Gas and Electricity Markets) and the CRU (Commission for the Regulation of Utilities) to develop a joint view on the proposed amendments.

On this basis, we herewith approve the proposed amendments to Annex B of the Tripartite Agreement between PTL, GNI (UK) and NGG as submitted on 8 March 2021 under clause 7.11(e) of that Tripartite Agreement.

Yours sincerely,



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