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Dear Sirs,

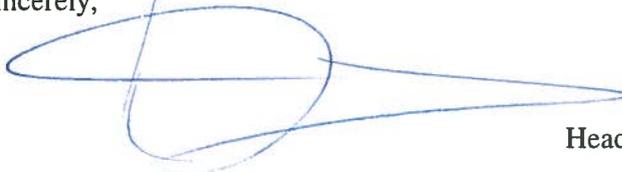
Following up on the hearing of 5 December 2014 on the UK Oil & Gas amendment request for the NC CAM and BAL, please find below and attached the Agency's clarification questions. For the questions and data requests we would like to ask at least 5 of your member companies to fill in those data sheets individually. The sample selection of respondents should be representative for the UK upstream industry in terms of size of the company, maturity of the related gas field(s) and possibly other relevant factors. Please ensure that no commercially confidential information is shared between competitors in the process.

Please provide the requested information to the Agency **by 23 January 2015**.

With respect to both your proposal and your answer to this letter, please indicate and, where relevant, justify whether you consider the information provided as confidential. In the latter case, please provide a non-confidential version of your submissions.

Please note that at this stage, the Agency is still collecting information to decide whether the case is admissible. The Agency does not exclude that further information is requested from the parties at a later stage of the proceedings.

Yours sincerely,



Dennis Hesseling
Head of the Gas Department

Questionnaire

- I. Please describe in detail the scaling option and the option based on the linepack flexibility service.
- II. Which remaining concerns does the UK upstream industry have with each of those options?
- III. What are in your view the risks and costs for the downstream network users, if one of these options mentioned under I. is implemented?
- IV. By when could the various terminal operators and producers implement the new gas day change?
- V. Concerning impact on trade and the internal market, it is argued that the amendment proposal has little impact on the continental trade due to the special functioning of the interconnectors which have well managed, in the view of the proposers, the gas day differences in the past. Did the proposers check whether traders flowing gas from Belgium or the Netherlands to the UK consider that a non-harmonised gas day better facilitates cross-border trade than a harmonised gas day? Please provide more evidence on this issue, such as e-mail exchanges or statements from those who trade at TTF and NBP.
- VI. Please have the attached Excel table filled individually by at least 5 of your member companies. The sample selection of respondents should be representative for the UK upstream industry in terms of size of the company, maturity of the related gas field(s) and possibly other relevant factors. Please indicate to what extent the sample is representative for the UK upstream industry.



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