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Dear Colleague,

National Grid Gas Transmission enhanced stakeholder consultation: your views on our detailed business plans.

Stakeholder views have been essential in developing our business plan proposals and we thank all stakeholders for contributing to our engagement activities so far.

By now, you have hopefully had the chance to review our business plans which we submitted to Ofgem at the end of July. These have been published on our website (<a href="www.talkingnetworkstx.com">www.talkingnetworkstx.com</a>). We welcome any thoughts, feedback and questions on our proposals – you can contact us at <a href="mailto:talkingnetworkstransmission@uk.ngrid.com">talkingnetworkstransmission@uk.ngrid.com</a>.

There are a number of areas where we would like to hear your further thoughts. We therefore intend to hold a further stakeholder workshop.

- The workshop will take place on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November
- The sessions will run from 10.30am until 5.00pm on the Tuesday, and 9.30am until 4.00pm on the Wednesday. Lunch and refreshments will be provided
- The workshop will be held at the Chesterfield Mayfair, 35 Charles Street, Mayfair, London, W1J 5EB
- The event will be led by National Grid and facilitated by professional market researchers from Brunswick Research

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A detailed agenda is enclosed. However the high level topics that will be covered are:

- Business plan Q&A
- Network Flexibility (including the 1 in 20 planning obligation)
- Interactions between the Transmission Owner & System Operator
- Managing risk and uncertainty
- Connections and capacity processes
- Charging

Your feedback on these topics will inform updates to our business plan. I hope you and/or a colleague are able to attend in order that we can have a full and thorough discussion around these subjects.

Please let us know by 14<sup>th</sup> October whether you would be interested in attending, either via email (<u>talkingnetworkstransmission@uk.ngrid.com</u>) or by contacting Claire Spedding (01926 655915).

Yours sincerely,

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