

Ref: NET/G/TH/307

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Dear Stephen,

## **RE: OS Scheme and CMP Methodology Statement**

Thank you for your submission, on 20 October 2020, of version 3.0 of the OS (Oversubscription) Scheme and CMP (Congestion Management Procedures) Methodology Statement for approval.

We note that the changes proposed to be made from the previous version seek to address:

- the implementation of GMO NI and the creation of the 'Transporter' under the NI Network Gas Transmission Code;
- the introduction of four within year quarterly auctions;
- modification No. 9 to the NI Gas Transmission Network Code relating to the Stranraer Shipper and the introduction of Non-IP Entry Capacity at Moffat.

## **Authority review and conclusions**

The Utility Regulator has considered the new version of the OS Scheme and CMP Methodology provided. We note that the GMO NI consulted on the proposed changes, and received one response in return. The response highlighted some minor drafting issues. The GMO NI has addressed these in the version provided for approval, together with some further minor typographical and referencing issues that had been identified.

We note furthermore that the OS Scheme refers to the NI Networks Incentive Payments Procedure, which has been provided by the GMO NI in updated form on 16 December 2020.

## **Decision**

As provided for in condition 2A.2.1.18(a) of the relevant licences we approve version 3 of the OS Scheme and CMP Methodology Statement, provided on 20 October 2020 with effect from 1 March 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Tanya Hedley

**Director of Networks** 

For and on behalf of NIAUR